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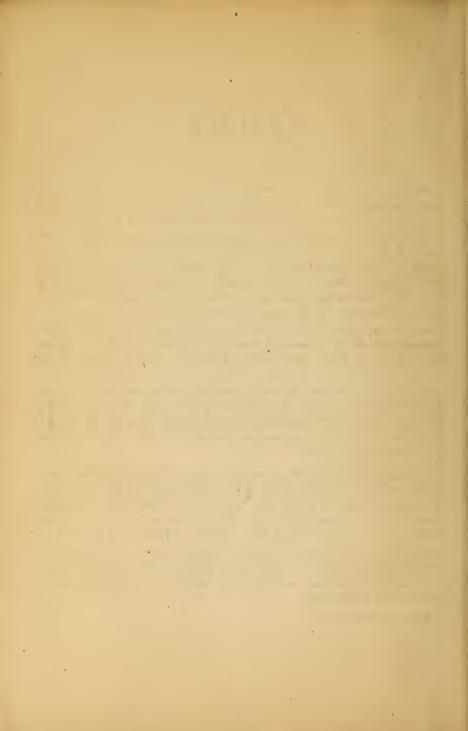
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### PREFACE.

NEARLY two years since, a Committee appointed by the Sunday School Teachers' Institute to visit and report the condition of the Schools of which they had supervision, called the attention of that body to the need felt by nearly all of them, for a new and better collection of devotional poetry and music. They remarked upon a general complaint, that the best of those in use were in many ways defective, much of the music having little in unison with, and ill fitted to express the devotional feelings of the children, and the hymns often containing doctrines and expressions altogether at variance with the tenets commonly held at the present day by the great body of Christians. In consequence of this recommendation, a delegation of three teachers from each of the Schools was immediately convened, and the Committee by which this Collection was prepared, was constituted at that convention, to carry out the unanimous desire which was then expressed for a different body of Hymns and Tunes. The compilation now offered, contains little that is new, but has not been prepared without much pains-taking labor. The Depositories of Sunday School books and papers have been carefully searched, as well as every attainable collection of Sacred Music. A large body of secular music has also been explored and brought into service, when it could be used without introducing disturbing associations; and it is believed that all of the hymns and tunes finally chosen, possess some fitness for the purpose for which they were taken.

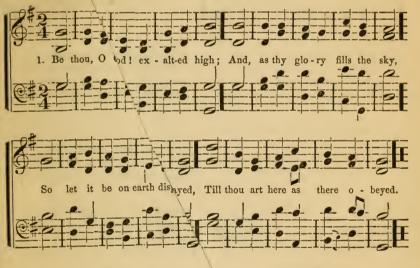
The committee in offering this fruit of many months' labor, are not unconscious of its many shortcomings. It is far enough from their conception of what such a work should be. But they have a well grounded hope that it will not be found useless, and should it measurably supply the need so often and so loudly expressed, and conduce in any degree to enliven the services of the Sunday School to which it is adapted, they will feel themselves amply rewarded. Should the work make any approach to the end they have constantly held in view—to find a fitter expression for the simple religious emotions of child-hood—and thereby lead them to a more intelligent and heartfelt worship, surely they will have been blest in their labors.

Boston, October, 1862.



## YOUTHFUL VOICES.

OLD HUNDRED. L. M.



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1.

Thy praises, Lord, I will resound To all the listening nations round; Thy mercy highest heaven transcends, Thy truth beyond the clouds extends.

3

Be thou, O God, exalted high; And as thy glory fills the sky, So let it be on earth displayed, Till thou art here as there obeyed. Closing Hymn.

2. 1
om all that dwell below the skies,
the Creator's praise arise;
Lehe Redeemer's name be sung,
Thigh every land, by every tongue.

Eternal the attends thy word:
Thy praise all sound from shore to shore,
Till suns sharise and set no more.







True, 'tis a straight and thorny road,
And mortal spirits tire and faint;
But they forget the mighty God,
That feeds the strength of every saint.

3

The mighty God, whose matchless power
Is ever new and ever young,
And firm endures, while endless years
Their everlasting circles run.

4

From thee, the overflowing spring,
Gur souls shall drink a fresh supply,
While such as trust their native strength
Shall melt away, and droop, and die.

5

Swift as an eagle cuts the air,
We'll mount aloft to thine abode;
On wings of love our souls shall fi
Nor tire amidst the heavenly roc

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O God, whose presence glown all
Within, around us, and re;
Thy word we bless, thy rie we call,
Whose word is Truth, ose name is Love.

2

That love its ho' influence pour,

To keep us reek, and make us free;

And thou its lading blessing move

Round eac with all, and all with thee.

5. <sup>1</sup>

We com! we come! with loud acclaim
To sin the praise of Jesus' name;
And ake the vaulted temple ring
Wit'loud hosannas to our King.

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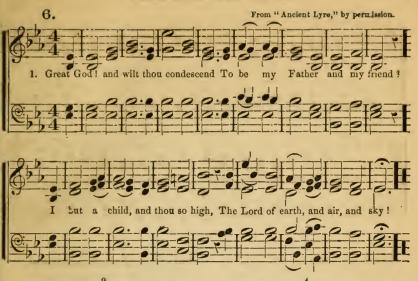
7ith joyful heart and smiling face, We gather round the throne of grace, And lowly bend to offer there, From youthful lips our humble prayer.

3

We come! we come! the song to swell, To him who loved the world so well; With joy we haste the aisles to fill, Yet youthful bands are gathering still.

4

Oh! thus may we, in heaven above, Unite in praises and in love; And still the angels fill their home With joyful cry, "They come! they come



Art thou my Father?—Let me be A meek, obedient child to thee; And try, in every deed and thought, To serve and please thee as I ought.

Art thou my Father?—I'll depend Upon the care of such a friend; And only wish to do and be Whatever seemeth good to thee.

Art thou my Father?—Then, at last, When all my days on earth are past, Send down, and take me, in thy love, To be thy better child above.

7. 1

Great God! let all our tuneful powers
Awake and sing the mighty name;
Thy hand rolls on our circling hours;
The hand from which our being came.

Seasons and moons, revolving round,
In beauteous order, speak thy praise;
And years, with smiling mercy crowned,
To thee successive honors raise.

Each changing season on our souls
Its sweetest, kindest influence sheds;
And every period, as it rolls,
Showers countless blessings on our heads.

Our lives, our health, our friends, we owe, All to thy vast, unbounded love; Ten thousand precious gifts below, And hope of nobler joys above.

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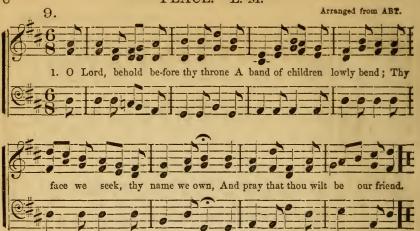
Come let us all, with heart and voice,
To God our Father sing and pray,
In his unceasing love rejoice,
And thank him for this pleasant day.

The clear blue sky looks full of love:
Let all our selfish passions cease;
O, let us lift our thoughts above,
Where all is brightness, goodness, pea

If we have done another wrong,
O, let us seek to be forgiven!
Nor let one discord spoil the song
Our hearts would raise this day to heaven.

This blessed day, when the pure air Is full of sweetness, full of joy, When all around is calm and fair, Shall we the harmony destroy?

O, may it be our earnest care
To free our souls from every sin!
Then will each day be bright and fair,
For God's pure sunshine dwells within.



Thou didst on earth the young receive,
And gently fold them to thy breast,
And say that such in heaven should live,
For ever safe, for ever blest.

3

Thy Holy Spirit's aid impart,
That it may teach us how to pray;
Make us sincere, and let each heart
Delight to tread in wisdom's way.

4

Oh, let thy grace our souls renew,
And seal a sense of pardon there;
Teach us thy will to know and do,
And let us all thine image bear.

10.

Let children to their God draw near, With rev'rence and with holy fear; Let every knee before him bend, Our Maker, Saviour, Guide, and Friend.

2

Lord, may thy mercies great and free Fill us with gratitude to thee;

And still, as through the world we go, More of these mercies may we know.

3

Far from our hearts, O Lord, remove The evil thoughts that sinners love; And give us wisdom, day by day, To choose the strait and narrow way.

11.

I now am but a little child;
My hands are weak, my strength is small,
Yet I can seek, and I can love,

The Lord Almighty, God of all.

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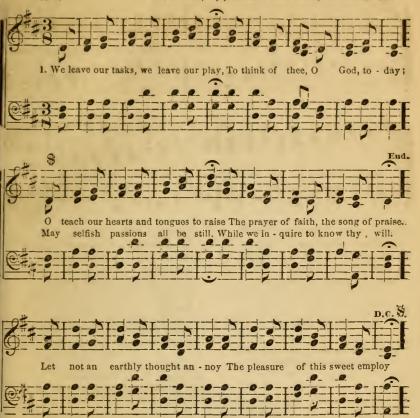
He gave my life to me at first;
He loves the little child he made;
He keeps me safe through all the day,
And guards me when in sleep I'm laid.

3

If I obey and love his law,
He'll teach me all I need to know.
And take me in his arms on high
When I have lived my life below.



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13. 1 Assembled in our school once more, D Lord, thy blessing we implore; We meet to read, and sing, and pray, Be with us, then, through this thy day. D Lord, our God. be pleased to bless, And crown our studies with success, In our young hearts thy truth instil, That we may know and do thy will.

Our fervent prayer to thee ascends, For parents, teachers, foes, and friends, And when we in thy house appear, Help us to worship in thy fear.

When we on earth shall meet no more, May we above to glory soar: And praise thee in more lofty strains, Where one eternal Sabbath reigns.

14.

Retiring from our school once more, Thy blessing, Father, we implore; Still may we keep the heavenly way, And serve and please thee thre' the dage As in thy temple we appear, Help us to worship in thy fear. Thy truth impart, thy love instil, That we may know and do thy will:





- 2 Lo, God is here! him day and night.United choirs of angels sing:To him, enthroned above all height,Heav'n's host their noblest homage bring.
- 3 Being of beings! may our praise

  Thy courts with grateful fragrance fill;

  Still may we stand before thy face

  Still hear and do thy sovereign will.

16.

- 1 Come to God's altar! Oh, draw near!
  In trusting love, in humble fear:
  He calls thee now his face to meet,
  Then haste and bow thee at his feet.
- 2 Come to God's altar! Oh, draw near! And gladly come! for God is here; Come at the call of that kind voice, That bids thee in his love rejoice.
- 3 Come to God's altar! Oh! draw near! With grateful praises gather here, Your Father calls,—your Maker, Friend, Oh, come! and in his presence bend.

17.

- 1 Almighty God, by thy great power, I hail again the morning hour; How fair the green fields meet my eyes! How sweet the birds sing in the skies!
- 2 How fresh appear the hills and trees!

  And O! how pure the morning breeze:

- I bless thy love in all I see, For were not these things made for me?
- 3 Not me alone—for thou hast given Thy good to all beneath the heaven; And I rejoice that others share The gift, the blessing, and the prayer.
- 4 And though a child and weak I be, I yet may bend myself to thee, And join my feeble voice to raise A simple hymn of grateful praise.

18.

- 1 O timely happy, timely wise, Hearts that with rising morn arise! Eyes that the beam celestial view, Which evermore makes all things new.
- 2 New every morning is the love Our wakening and uprising prove; Thro' sleep and darkness safely brought, Restored to life, and power, and thought.
- 3 New mercies each returning day, Hover around us while we pray; New perils past, new sins forgiven, New thoughts of God, new hopes of heav'n.
- 4 Old friends, old scenes, will lovelier be, As more of heaven in each we see; Some softening gleams of love and prayer, Shall dawn on every cross and care.

KEBLE.





Look on us now, and bless us here; We fain would worship in thy fear: O be thy shadow round us spread, O be thy Spirit on us shed.

3

Not many years our feet have run, Yet hast thou watch'd them every one: May all our future years be bright With beams of heavenly love and light.

In life, and when we come to die, Be thou our guardian ever nigh; And may the pang that sets us free, Waft every spirit home to thee!

20.

Our youthful souls in rapture raise To Heaven the joyous song of praise; While thro' the opening door of spring, Our true heart-offerings here we bring;

We listen to calm nature's voice, She bids us in God's love rejoice; And tells us with ten thousand tongues, To Him alone, all Praise belongs.

3

Her lesson shall all hearts inspire— Each spirit light with living fire, In ways of peace and joy to move, And be the children of God's love.

21.

We bless thee for this sacred day,

Thou who hast every blessing given,
Which sends the dreams of earth away,

And yields a glimpse of opening heaves.

2

Lord, may thy truth upon the heart Now fall, and dwell as heavenly dew, And flowers of grace in freshness start, Where once the weeds of erroi grew.

3

We would our prayers with fervor bring, And lay them at thy sacred throne, And render praise, O heavenly King, To thee, who praise canst claim alone. 12 "My God! how endless is thy love." L. M. Double.



- 2 Thou spread'st the curtains of the night, Great Guardian of my sleeping hours; Thy sovereign word restores the light, And quickens all my drowsy powers.
- 3 I yield my powers to thy command;
  To thee I consecrate my days:
  Perpetual blessings from thine hand
  Demand perpetual songs of praise.

23.

- We bless thee for this sacred day,
   Thou who hast every blessing given,
   Which sends the dreams of earth away,
   And yields a glimpse of opening heaven.
- 2 Rich day of holy, thoughtful rest, We would improve the calm repose; And, in God's service truly blest, Forget the world, its joys and woes.
- 2 Lord! may thy truth, upon the heart, Now fall and dwell as heavenly dew, And flowers of grace in freshness start Where once the weeds of error grew.
- May prayer now lift her sacred wings,
  Contented with that aim alone
  Which bears her to the King of kings,
  And rests her at his sheltering throne.

  Mas. GILMAN.

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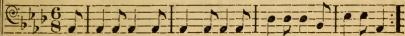
- 1 The way-side flower receives the air Into its little, lonely breast; Then breathes a grateful perfume there: And flower and air alike are blest.
- 2 The sunlight falls upon the stream, Gliding through rough, uneven ways; It leaps up with a joyous gleam; And both are brighter, stream and rays.
- 3 'Tis not alone the good we do, That makes the gladness of the heart: What we receive is blessed too; All take, and all in turn impart.
- 4 We all are children of one home;
  Our Father guards with equal care;
  From Him our varied blessings come,—
  Varied that we the gifts may share.
- 5 So sickness ministers to health, By patient meekness, daily taught; So poverty enriches wealth By warming heart, expanding thought.
- 8 And health and wealth pay back the good. By care and comfort freely given; We all are children of one blood, One Christ, one Father dear in heaven.

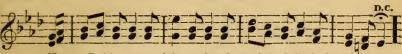


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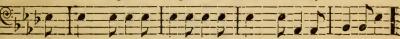


1. With joy, kind Parent! we have come, A band of children young and fair, Before thy gracious throne to bow,— For thou hast made us welcome there. Then take, O Lord! our tender hearts, And ever keep them as thine own.





No off - 'ring can we bring to thee, Save of the fruits thy hand hath sown :



2

If through the varied scenes of life
It still should be our lot to stray,
Teach us to find the narrow path,
And humbly walk in wisdom's way.

So shall that peace attend our lives
Earth cannot give, or take away,
Crowning the joys of early youth,
And gilding life's declining day.

26.

1

In these bright hours of blooming youth, Father, we feel and own thy truth; Thy mercies with increasing age Shall still our grateful hearts engage!

No human power shall e'er control This settled purpose of the soul, Or urge our steadfast minds to stray From wisdom's straight and narrow way. From "Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools."

27. The Voice of God.

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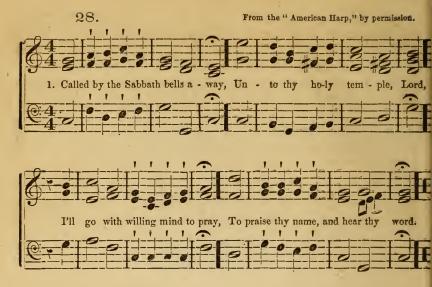
The voice of God, in accents clear, Is heard above, below, around; To all his children far and near, The universe repeats the sound.

Through the thick grove of lofty trees,
Where cheerful sunbeams never shine,
It whispers in the gentle breeze,
Yes, list! and hear the voice divine.

9

And every flower, and every plant,
The heavens, the earth, and ocean's waves.
In one sweet strain his glories chant,
With songs of triumph hymn his praise.

But sweeter far his voice is heard,
Telling of heaven, and peace, and love,
To those who keep his holy word,
To those who hope for joys above.



O sacred day of peace and joy,
Thy hours are ever dear to me;
Ne'er may a sinful thought destroy
The holy calm I find in thee.

3

Dear are the peaceful hours to me,
For God has given them in his love,
To tell how calm, how blest, shall be
The endless day of heaven above.

29.

When to the house of God we go,

To hear his word and sing his love,

To offer praises here below,

With all the saints in heaven above;

2

Our God is present with us there,

And watches all our thoughts and ways:
Oh! let us humbly join in prayer,
Let us sincerely sing his praise.

3

Oh! may we never thoughtless go,
Nor lose the days our God has given;
But learn, by Sabbaths spent below,
To spend eternity in heaven.

30.

From Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools.

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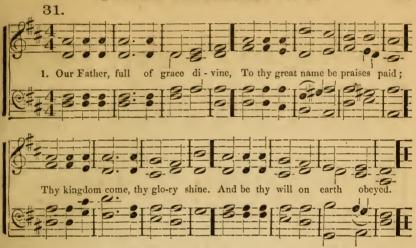
See from the east the sun arise, His joyous beams now fill the skies, With cheerful rays of glory bright, He scatters all the clouds of night.

2

Oh Father, may we, like the sun, Begin our heavenward course to run; Send to our minds fair wisdom's ray, To chase the shades of doubt away.

Q

And, when obedient to thy laws, He from the world his light withdraws, So may we, when life's task is done, Sleep sweetly as the setting sun.



Give us our bread from day to day,
And all our wants do thou supply;
With gospel truths feed us, we pray,
That we may never faint or die.

3

Extend thy grace, our hearts renew,
Our each offence in love forgive;
Teach us divine forgiveness too,
And let us free from evil live.

4

For thine's the kingdom, and the power,
And all the glory waits thy name:
Let every land thy grace adore,
And sound a long and loud Amen.

32.

Father! adored in worlds above,
Thy glorious name be hallowed still;
Thy kingdom come with power and love,
And earth, like heaven, obey thy will.

2

Lord! make our daily wants thy care;
Forgive the sins which we forsake;
And, as we in thy kindness share,
Let fellow-men of ours partake.

Evils beset us every hour;

Thy kind protection we implore;

Thine is the kingdom, thine the power,

Be thine the glory evermore!

From "Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools."
33.
1
Father of mercies! God of love,

Our Maker and our sovereign King, Bend from thy heavenly throne above, And bless thy children while we sing.

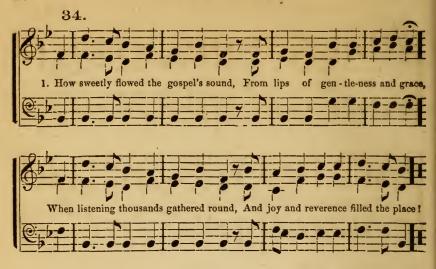
2

Inspire our feeble tongues with skill,
The wonders of thy works to praise,
And give our infant minds the will
To walk in wisdom's peaceful ways

3

And may we never, Lord, in youth,
Thy heavenly precepts disobey;
Or leave the pleasant path of truth,
In sin's deceitful ways to stray.

So shalt thou grant thy children strength,
The varied ills of life to bear;
Receive our souls in heaven at length
To live with thee forever there



From heaven he came, of heaven he spoke, To heaven he led his followers' way;

Dark clouds of gloomy night he broke, Unveiling an immortal day.

9

"Come, wanderers, to my Father's home, Come, all ye weary ones, and rest!" Yes, sacred Teacher, we will come, Obey thee, love thee, and be blest.

35.

In Israel's fane, by silent night,
The lamp of God was burning bright;
And there, by viewless angels kept,
Samuel, the child, securely slept.

9

A voice unknown the stillness broke; "Samuel!" it called, and thrice it spoke; He rose; he asked whence came the word. From Eli! No—it was the Lord.

3

Thus early called to serve his God, In paths of righteousness he trod; Prophetic visions fired his breast, And all the chosen tribes were blest.

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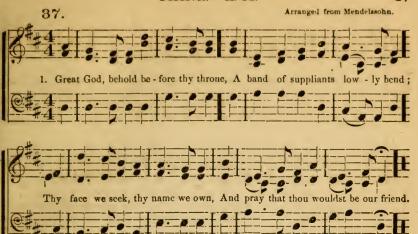
Speak, Lord, and from our earliest days, Incline our hearts to love thy ways; Thy wakening voice hath reached our ear, Speak, Lord, to us; thy servants hear.

36.

While yet the youthful spirit bears
The image of its God within,
And uneffaced that beauty wears,
Which may too soon be stained by sia,

2

Then is the time for faith and love
To take in charge their precious care,
Teach the young heart to look above,
Teach the young lips to speak in prayer



- 2 Thy Holy Spirit's aid impart, That it may teach us how to pray; Make us sincere, and let each heart Delight to tread in wisdom's way.
- 3 O let thy grace our hearts renew, And seal a sense of pardon there! Teach us thy will to know and do, And let us all thine image bear.

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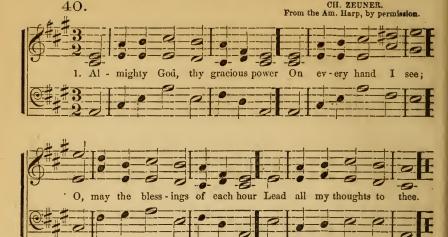
- 1 The Saviour comes! let carth proclaim, With songs and choral hymns, the day-The Saviour comes! lo! at his name, The clouds of darkness fade away.
- 2 Let every heart and every tongue, With holy joy and grateful praise, Unite in chanting forth the song, And high to heaven the accents raise.
- 3 The Saviour comes! the star shines bright 4 Whilst all the stars which round her burn. A welcome sign of heavenly love-A guiding ray—a beacon light, Which leads the soul to worlds above.
- 4 Supported by his Father's hand, His Father's voice-his Father's word, He comes, to spread o'er every land, The blessing and the love of God.
- 5 For these rich gifts, so freely given, We humbly bow before thy throne, And lift our youthful hearts to heaven, With praise to Thee, Eternal One.

6 At early morn, at daylight's close, Till from life's varied scenes we rest. O may our hearts on thee repose, And with a Saviour's love be blest.

39.

- 1 The spacious firmament on high, With all the blue ethercal sky, And spangled heavens, a shining frame Their great Original proclaim.
- 2 Th' unwearied sun, from day to day, Doth his Creator's power display; And publishes to every land The work of an almighty hand.
- 3 Soon as the evening shades prevail, The moon takes up the wondrous tale, And nightly to the listening earth Repeats the story of her birth:
- And all the planets in their turn, Confirm the tidings as they roll. And spread the truth from pole to pole.
- 5 What though, in solemn silence, all Move round this dark terrestrial ball; What though no real voice nor sound Amidst their radiant orbs be found:
- 6 In reason's ear they all rejoice. And utter forth a glorious voice; Forever singing, as they shine,-"The hand that made us is divine."

ADDISON.



- <sup>2</sup> If, on the wings of morn, I speed To earth's remotest bound, Thy hand will there my footsteps lead, Thy love my path surround.
- 3 Thy power is on the ocean deeps, And reaches to the skies; Thine eye of mercy never sleeps, Thy goodness never dies.
- 4 From morn till noon, till latest eve,
  The hand of God I see;
  And all the blessings I receive
  Ceaseless proceed from thee.
- 5 In all the varying scenes of time, On thee my hopes depend; Through every age, in every clime, My Father and my Friend!

#### 41.

- 1 O thou, enthroned in worlds above, Our Father and our Friend! Lo, at the footstool of thy love, Thy children humbly bend.
- 2 All reverence to thy name be given; Thy kingdom wide displayed; And, as thy will is done in heaven, Be it on earth obeyed.
- 8 Our table may thy bounty spread, From thine exhaustless store, From day to day with daily bread,— Nor would we ask for more.

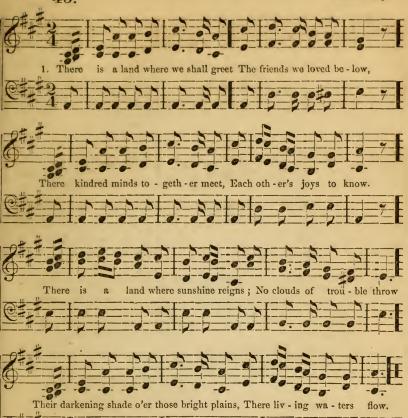
- 4 That pardon we to others give,
  Do thou to us extend;
  From all temptation, Lord, relieve,
  From every ill defend.
- 5 And now to thee belong, Most High, The kingdom, glory, power, Thro' the broad earth and spacious sky, Both now and evermore.

#### 42.

- 1 Behold, where, in a mortal form,
  Appears each grace divine;
  The virtues, all in Jesus met,
  With mildest radiance shine.
- 2 To spread the rays of heavenly light, To give the mourner joy, To preach glad tidings to the poor, Was his divine employ.
- 3 'Midst keen reproach and cruel scorn, Patient and meek he stood; His foes, ungrateful, sought his life; He labored for their good.
- 4 In the last hour of deep distress,
  Before his Father's throne,
  With soul resigned, he bowed, and said,
  "Thy will, not mine, be done!"
- 5 Be Christ our pattern and our guide!
  His image may we bear!
  O, may we tread his holy steps,
  His joy and glory share! ENFIELD.



Modern Harp.



No wasting sickness there shall shed Its blight, where all is fair; Nor gloomy war its horrors spread,

For all are happy there. Since with the eye of faith we view Those scenes above the sky;

May we prepare to dwell there too, Where we shall never die.

Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools.

44.

It was our Heavenly Father's love Brought every being forth; He made the shining worlds above, And every thing on earth.

He gives us all our parents dear, Our teachers kind and true;

He bids us all their precepts hear, And all they teach us do.

2 God sees and hears us all the day, And in the darkest night;

He views us when we disobey, And when we act aright.

God hears what we are saying now,
O, what a wondrous thought!
Our Heavenly Father! teach us how
To love thee as we ought.







- 2 A cloud of witnesses around Hold thee in full survey; Forget the steps already trod, And onward urge thy way.
- 3 'Tis God's all-animating voice
  That calls thee from on high;
  'Tis his own hand presents the prize
  To thine uplifted eye;—
- That prize, with peerless glories bright, Which shall new lustre boast, When victors' wreaths and monarchs' gems Shall blend in common dust.

DODDRIDGE.

46.

Again the Lord of life and light Awakes the kindling ray; Unseals the eyelids of the morn, And pours increasing day.

- 2 O what a night was that which wrapt The heathen world in gloom!
  - O what a sun, which broke this day, Triumphant from the tomb!
- 3 This day be grateful homage paid, And loud hosannas sung; Let gladness dwell in every heart, And praise on every tongue.
- Ten thousand differing lips shall join
  To hail this welcome morn;
  Which scatters blessings from its wings
  To nations yet unborn.
  BARBAULD.

47. Early Piety.

1 My God, who makes the sun to know His proper hour to rise, And to give light to all below

Doth send him round the skies.

2 When from the chambers of the east, His morning race begins, He never tires, nor stops to rest,

He never tires, nor stops to rest, But round the world he shines.

- 3 So, like the sun, would I fulfil The business of the day; Begin my work betimes, and still March on my heavenly way.
- 4 Give me, O Lord, thy early grace,—
  Nor let my soul complain,
  That all the morning of my days
  Has been consumed in vain.



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- 2 Lo, such the child whose early feet, The paths of peace have trod, Whose heart, inspir'd with influence sweet, Is upward drawn to God.
- 3 By cool Siloam's shady rill
  The lily must decay;
  The rose that blooms beneath the hill
  Must shortly fade away.
- And soon, too soon, the wintry hour
   Of man's maturer age
   Will shake the soul with sorrow's power,
   And stormy passion's rage.
- O Thou! who giv'st us life and breath, We seek thy grace alone, In childhood, manhood, age, and death,

To keep us still thine own.

HEBER.

- 49.
- 1 How happy those dear children were Whom Jesus took and blessed;
  Whom, when he breathed the fervent prayer,
  He folded to his breast!

- 2 How powerful was that prayer to bring All blessings from above! How sure to lead them to the spring Of everlasting love!
- 3 How mighty to preserve from sin And every dangerous snare!— Well might we wish that we had been Among the children there.
- 4 But, thanks unto the children's Friend,
  He is the same to-day,
  As when he thus refused to send
  Those babes unblest away.

#### 50.

- 1 See Israel's gentle Shepher'l stand With all-engaging charms! Hark, how he calls the tender lambs And folds them in his arms!
- 2 "Suffer the little ones," he says, "Forbid them not to come; Of such is heaven; and souls like these Shall find in heaven their home."
- 3 Ye little flock, with pleasure hear; Ye children, seek his face; And fly with transport to receive The blessings of his grace.



- 2 We in these sacred words can find A cure for every ill, They calm and soothe the troubled mind, And bid all care be still.
- 3 O let that will, which gave me breath And an immortal soul, In joy or grief, in life or death, My every wish control.
- 4 O teach my heart the blessed way
  To imitate thy Son!
  Teach me, O God, in truth to pray,
  "Thy will, not mine, be done."

FOLLEN.

52.

Children dedicating themselves to the Lord.

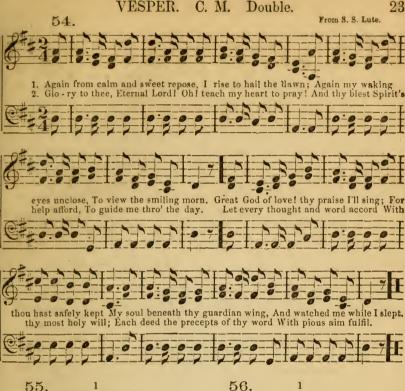
- 1 O Lord, we're taught thy name to fear, We're taught thy name to love: What shall we do? How live while here, To gain a crown above?
- We would give up our youthful days,
  Our souls, our all, to thee;
  Our feeble pow'rs, our words and ways,
  And thine alone would be.
- 3 Our thoughts, affections, all we are,
  In this desire unite,
  To be the children of thy care,
  And walk with thee in light.

4 Accept the humble sacrifice
We offer at thy throne,
And when to worlds above we rise,
Accept us as thine own.

53.

- Another hand is beckoning us,
   Another call is given;
   And glows once more with angel steps
   The path that leads to heaven.
- 2 O, half we deemed she needed not The changing of her sphere, To give to heaven a shining one, Who walked an angel here.
- 3 Unto our Father's will alone
  One thought hath reconciled;
  That he whose love exceedeth ours
  Hath taken home his child.
- 4 Fold her, O Father in thine arms, And let her henceforth be A messenger of love between Our human hearts and thee.
- 5 Still let her mild rebukings stand Between us and the wrong, And her dear memory serve to make Our faith in goodness strong.

WHITTIER.



Almighty Father! at whose word This breathing world arose,

By whom the simplest prayer is heard, That lisping childhood knows.

The shades of night have passed away, And thou hast guarded me;

Incline me through another day To give my soul to thee.

O may thy goodness be my song, Thy service my delight; Lead me away from what is wrong, And teach me what is right.

For Jesus' sake, thy love bestow,-Be all my sins forgiven;

In wisdom may I daily grow, And thus prepare for heaven. 56.

How beautiful the setting sun! The clouds how bright and gay! The stars appearing one by one, How beautiful are they! And when the moon climbs up the sky. And sheds her gentle light, And hangs her crystal lamp on high, How beautiful is night!

And can it be I am possessed Of something brighter far? Glows there within this little breast That which outshines each star? Yes: should the sun and stars turn pale, The mountains melt away, This flame within shall never fail, But live in endless day,



In the green fields of Palestine, And by its winding rills, Along the Jordan's sacred stream And o'er the vine-clad hills, Once lived and roved the fairest child That ever blessed the earth: The holiest, the happiest. And yet of humblest birth.

How beautiful his childhood was, Harmless and undefiled! O, dear to his young mother's heart Was this pure, sinless child! Kindly in all his deeds and words, And gentle as the dove; Obedient, affectionate, His very soul was love.

1 Even he, who lit the stars of old.

And filled the ocean broad. Whose works and ways are manifold-Our Father is our God.

There comes no change upon his years, No failure to his hand:

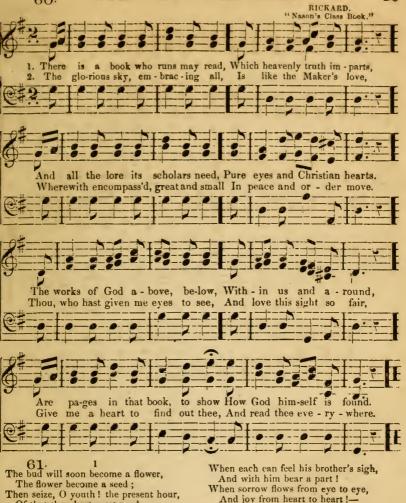
His love will lighten all our cares. His law our steps command.

2 Then, as his children we may come. For he hath called us near,

And bade our souls take ccurage from The love that casts out fear.

Lord, while on earth we work and pray. For good withheld or given:

Help us in faith and love to say. Father, who art in heaven!



Of that thou hast most need. The sun and rain will ripen fast Each seed that thou hast sown; And every act and word at last By its own fruit be known.

62. How sweet, how heavenly is the sight When those that love the Lord, In one another's peace delight, And thus fulfil his word !-[3] And joy from heart to heart !-

When, free from envy, scorn, and pride, Our wishes all above, Each can his brother's failings hide, And show a brother's love! Love is the golden chain that binds The happy souls above; And he's an heir of heaven that finds His bosom glow with love.



The early dawn of opening life
Has proved thy guardian care;
And may I, through my future years,
Thy grace and goodness share.

3

Now may I give myself to thee, And in thy name confide; Most gracious God, O deign to be My Father, Friend, and Guide.

64.

1

Blest day of God! most calm, most bright,
The first and best of days,
The laborer's rest, the saint's delight,
The day of prayer and praise!

2

My Saviour's face made thee to shine, His rising, thee did raise, and made thee holy and divine, Beyond all other days. 3

The first-fruits oft a blessing prove.
To all the sheaves behind;
And they who do the Sabbath love,
A happy week will find.

65.

1

Almighty Father! I am weak,
But thou wilt strengthen me,
If from my heart I humbly seek
For health and light from thee.

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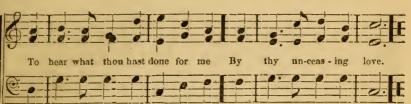
When I am tempted to do wrong,
Then, Father, pity me,
And make my failing virtues strong;
Help me to think of thee!

-3

Let Christian courage guard my youth; That courage give to me, Which ever speaks and acts the truth, And puts its trust in thee.







- 2 To think that all this world contains
  Was made and formed by thee;
  And yet the power which all sustains
  Has thought and care for me.
- 3 That thou art ever kind and good, My constant blessings prove: My home, my friends, my daily food, Speak thy unfailing love.
- 4 Father! I know each living thing Should sing its Maker's praise; O, let me, then, my tribute bring, My little offering raise!

67.

- Father, we come together now,
   A small, yet loving band;
   Before thine altar we would bow,
   And own thy guiding hand.
- 2 We come to sit at Jesus' feet, To hear his words of love: Send down, O Father! as we meet, Thy Spirit from above.
- 3 That Spirit, which to Jesus' brow In dove-like radiance came; Which scaled the apostles' sacred vow With cloven tongues of flame,—
- Oh, let it dwell within each heart,
   To guard from thoughts of sin;

And still that love and light impart
By which we heaven may win.
CHILD'S FRIEND.

68.

- 1 Calm on the listening ear of night, Come heaven's melodious strains, Where wild Judea stretches far Her silver-mantled plains!
- 2 Celestial choirs, from courts above; Shed sacred glories there; And angels, with their sparkling lyres, Make music on the air.
- 3 The answering hills of Palestine Send back the glad reply, And greet, from all their holy heights, The day-spring from on high.
- 4 O'er the blue depths of Galilee
  There comes a holier calm,
  And Sharon waves, in solemn praise,
  Her silent groves of palm.
- 5 "Glory to God!" the sounding skies Loud with their anthems sing; "Peace to the earth, good-will to men, From Heaven's eternal King."
- 6 Light on thy hills, Jerusalem!
  The Saviour now is born!

And bright on Bethlehem's joyous plains
Breaks the first Christmas morn.

69.





2

Tis easier work, if we begin
T' obey the Lord betimes;
While sinners, who grow old in sin,
Are hardened in their crimes.

3

\*T will save us from a thousand snares
To mind religion young;
It will preserve our growing years,
And make our virtue strong.

4

To thee, almighty God! to thee
Our childhood we resign;
'T will please us to look back and see
That our whole lives were thine.

70.

O Lord, thy Word of light and truth Thou hast in mercy giv'n,

To form the tender mind of youth, And raise from earth to heav'n.

9

Not only ev'ry earthly good Thy bounty has supplied, In thy blest Word, celestial food Thou freely dost provide.

3

Here am I taught to know the way
That leads to heav'n above,
How to believe, and how obey
Thy perfect law of love.

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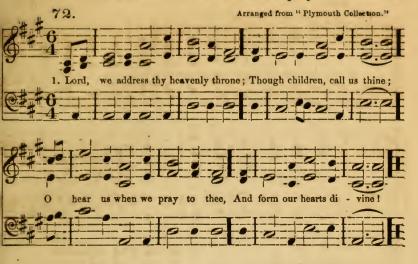
Here richest treasures all divine
Are open'd to my sight;
And here I'm taught what glories shine
In yonder worlds of light.

71.

Now condescend, Almighty King, To bless this little throng; And kindly listen, while we sing Our parting Sabbath song.

2

Brothers and sisters, hand in hand, Our lips together move; O, smile upon this cheerful band, And join our hearts in love!



Give us an humble, active mind, From sloth and folly free; Give us a cheerful heart, inclined To truth and piety.

3

A faithful memory bestow,
Our minds with wisdom store;
And still, O Lord, as more we know,
May we obey thee more.

73. 1

How sweet to be allowed to pray To God, the Holy One, With filial love and trust to say, O God, thy will be done!

We in these sacred words can find

2

A cure for every ill;
They calm and soothe the troubled mind,
And bid all care be still.

3

Oh, let that will, which gave me breath, And an immortal soul, In joy or grief, in life or death, My every wish control.

4

Oh, teach my heart the blessed way-To imitate thy Son! Teach me, O God, in truth to prays. "Thy will, not mine, be done."

74.

Lord, teach a little child to pray,
And, O, accept my prayer!
Thou, Lord, canst hear the words I say,
For thou art everywhere.

2

A little sparrow cannot fall Unnoticed, Lord, by thee;
And though I am so young and small;
Thou dost take care of me.

3

Teach me to do whate'er is right,
And when I sin, forgive;
And make it still my chief delight
To love thee while I live.



... 76.

1 Speak gently,—it is better far
To rule by love than fear;
Speak gently,—let no harsh word mar
The good we may do here.

Speak gently to the young,—for they
Will have enough to bear;

Pass through this life as best they may, Tis full of anxious care.

2 Speak gently to the aged one, Grieve not the careworn heart, The sands of life are nearly run, Let them in peace depart.

Speak gently to the erring ones;
They must have toiled in vain;
Perchance unkindness made them s

Perchance unkindness made them so; O, win them back again! 77

1 There's not a tint that paints the rose, Or decks the lily fair,

Or streaks the humblest flower that grows,
But God has placed it there.
There's not of gross a simple blode

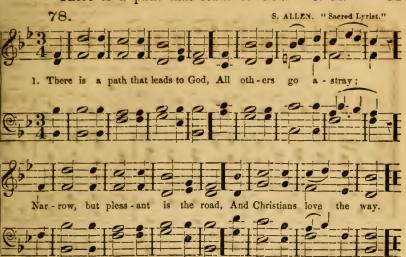
There's not of grass a simple blade, Or leaf of lowliest mien,

Where heavenly skill is not displayed, And heavenly wisdom seen.

2 There's not a star, whose twinkling light Illumes the spreading earth; There's not a cloud, or dark or bright,

But mercy gave it birth. Then let us join, and sing his name,

And all his praise rehearse, Who spread abroad earth's glorious frame, And made the universe.



It leads us through this world of sin,
And dangers must be past;
But all who boldly walk therein,
Will come to heaven at last.

How shall a youthful pilgrim dare
This dangerous path to tread?
Do I not need a Shepherd's care,
To be securely led?

Be thou, O Lord, my guard, my guide, Nor let me from thee stray; Uphold my footsteps, lest I slide Or wander from thy way.

#### 79.

I thank the goodness and the grace
Which on my birth have smiled,
And made me in these Christian days
A free and happy child.

I was not born as millions are,
Where God was never known,
And taught to pray a useless prayer
To blocks of wood and stone.

My God! I thank thee, who hast planned A better lot for me,

And placed me in this happy land, Where I may hear of thee.

4 Help me to serve thee every day,
Whilst thou shalt give me breath;
And grant that, while on earth I stay,
I may prepare for death.

#### 80.

1 Earth's busy sounds and ceaseless din Wake not the morning air,

A holy calm should welcome in This solemn hour of prayer.

2 Now peace, be still! unhallowed care Be hushed within my breast,

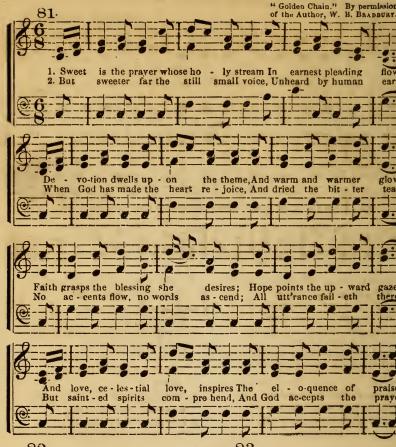
A holy joy should welcome there This happy day of rest.

3 Each better thought my spirit knows, Come, all its breathings fill,

And Thou from whom that spirit flows, O teach it all thy will.

4 Then shall this day which God has blest, Hallow life's every hour;

Prepare me for that better rest,
Eternal, perfect, sure.
From Original Hymns for Subbath Schools.



82.

1 The Sabbath morn, sweet Sabbath morn, We greet thy rising sun,

And to the duties of the day, With fresh delight we run, To dwell within thy temple, Lord,

Where heavenly blessings fall: Not earth such pure delights can give, 'T is better far than all.

2 Hail! gracious gift, by God designed, A day of peace and rest, To keep us trav'lers on our road,

And make us truly blest. If others choose in sin and toil
To waste their hours away,

We'll love with fond and grateful hearts, The precious Sabbath day. SABBATH CHIMES. 83.

1 The bird let loose in eastern skies.

Returning fondly home, Ne'er stoops to earth her wing, nor flic Where idle warblers roam; But high she shoots through air and I

Above all low delay;

Where nothing earthly bounds her flis Nor shadow dims her way.

2 So grant me, Lord, from every snare And stain of passion free, Aloft through virtue's purer air,

To urge my course to thee. No sin to cloud, no lure to stay

My soul as home she springs; Thy sunshine on her jovful way, Thy freedom on her wings.



- 2 To thee each morning, when we rise, Our early vows we pay:
  - And ere the night hath closed our eyes. We thank thee for the day.
- 3 Our Saviour, ever good and kind, To us his Word hath given; That children, such as we, may find The path that leads to heaven.

85. [night,

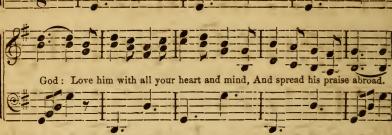
- 1 While shepherds watch'd their flocks by All seated on the ground,
  - The angel of the Lord came down, And glory shone around.
- 2 "Fear not," said he,—for mighty dread Had seized their troubled mind,—
  - "Glad tidings of great joy I bring To you and all mankind.
- 3 "To you, in David's town, this day
  Is born of David's line,
  - The Saviour, who is Christ the Lord; And this shall be the sign:
- 6 "The heavenly babe you there shall find To human view displayed:

- All meanly wrapped in swathing bands, And in a manger laid."
- 5 Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith Appeared a shining throng Of angels, praising God, who thus Address their joyful song:
- 6 "All glory be to God on high, And to the earth be peace! Good-will henceforth, from heav'n to men, Begin and never cease!"

86.

- Come, let us all unite to praise
   Our gracious God and King;
   He knows our weakness—yet he deigns
   To listen while we sing.
- 2 Praise well becomes our youthful lips; Join every heart and tongue; The loving-kindness of our God Demands a cheerful song.
- 3 O! may we join the hosts of heaven,
  When here we end our days:
  And then begin the glorious song
  Of everlasting praise. SAB, CHIMES.





- 2 Soon as your infant years began, Your life was crowned with love; And every blessing you receive Is given you from above.
- 3 Let your first thoughts by morning light,
  Ascend to God on high;
  And in the evening bid them rise
  Above the starry sky:
- 4 He loves to hear your infant prayers; He bids you seek his face; Go, like the children of his love, And ask his promised grace.

- 1 We come in childhood's innocence, We come, as children, free! We offer up, O God! our hearts In trusting love to thee.
- 2 Well may we bend, in solemn joy, At thy bright courts above;— Well may the grateful child rejoice, In such a Father's love.
- 3 In joy we wake, in peace we sleep, Safe from all midnight harms, Not folded in an angel's wings, But in a Farber's arms.

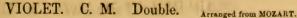
- 4 We come not as the mighty come;
  Not as the proud we bow;
  But as the pure in heart should bend,
  Seek we thine altars now.
- 5 "Forbid them not," the Saviour said;
  In speechless rapture dumb,
  We hear the call—we seek thy face—
  Father! we come—we come!

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89. Spring.

- 1 When warmer suns, and bluer skies,
  Proclaim the opening year,
  What happy sounds of life arise,
  What lovely scenes appear!
  - 2 Earth with her thousand voices sings Her song of gladsome praise; And every blade of grass that springs God's loving law obeys.
  - 3 The wind-flower and the violet fair Reflect the morning sky; The birds make music in the air, The brook goes singing by.
  - 4 Like this spring morning, sweet and clear That greets our opening eyes, The spring of heaven's eternal year Shall bring new earth and skies.







2 Doth not each rain-drop help to form The cool, refreshing shower, And every ray of light to warm And beautify the flower?

Go thou, and strive to do thy share;-One talent .- less than thine,-Improved with steady zeal and care, Would gain rewards divine

His mercy he will prove. 2 To those who seek him he is near; He looks upon the heart;

And from the humble and sincere He never will depart. He sees our thoughts, our wishes knows, He hears our faintest prayer; Where 'er the child to seek him goes, He finds his Father there.



- 2 Hearer of Prayer! Oh, guide aright, Each word and deed of mine; Life's battle teach me how to fight, And be the victory thine.
- 3 Giver of all!—for every good
  In the Redeemer came;—
  For raiment, shelter, and for food,
  I thank Thee in His name.

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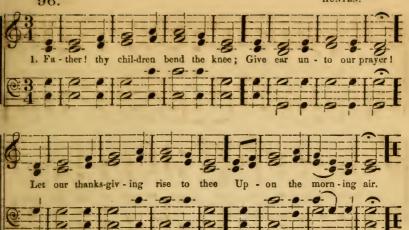
- 1 To God who reigns above the sky, Our Father and our Friend, To him let all our vows be paid, And all our prayers ascend.
- 2 'Tis he who claims our youthful hearts: He loves to hear us pray; By night we'll think upon his love, And praise him day by day.
- 3 With all the love a father feels, He pities and forgives; And though our earthly parents die, Our heavenly Father lives.

95.

- My child, tread not the downward path, Though broad and smooth it seem;
   Tis a deceitful, thorny road, Where dangers lurk unseen.
- 2 Let not the fruits and flowers it yields, Allure thine erring feet; Nor listen to the songs, which strike The ear, so soft and sweet.
- 3 Ere half thy day of life be spent, Those flowers so bright will fade. Those fruits decay, nor music cheer Thine heart at evening's shade;
- 4 And when the darkness of the night Shall gather round the soul, No star will guide, no voice will soothe, Though troubles o'er thee roll.
- 5 But listen to the voice of truth,
  The word of God obey,
  And seek the narrow path which leads
  To realms of endless day.
- 6 And though that way be steep at first, And thorns thy feet may wound, Each onward step will easier grow, And fadeless flowers be found;







We come, O God, while yet the flower Of life is but half blown, To pray thee that its opening hour May bloom for thee alone!

3

Then, when it fadeth from the earth,
It may in beauty rise,
To bloom where angels have their birth,
In bowers of Paradise.

97.

In the soft season of thy youth,
In nature's smiling bloom,
Bre age arrive, and trembling wait
Its summons to the tomb,—

2

Remember thy Creator, God;
For him thy powers employ;
Make him thy fear, thy love, thy hope,
Thy confidence, thy joy.

3

He shall defend and guide thy course
Through life's uncertain sea,
Till thou art landed on the shore
Of blest eternity.
[4]

4

Then seek the Lord betimes, and choose
The path of heavenly truth;
The earth affords no lovelier sight
Than a religious youth.

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98.

Lord, I would own thy tender care, And all thy love to me; The food I eat, the clothes I wear, Are all bestowed by thee.

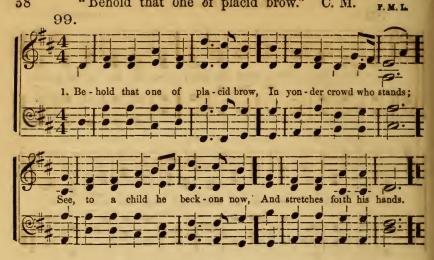
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'Tis thou preservest me from death, And dangers every hour; I cannot draw another breath Unless thou giv'st me power.

9

Kind angels guard me every night, As round my bed they stay; Nor am I absent from thy sight, In darkness, or by day.

Such goodness, Lord, and constant care,
A child can ne'er repay;
But may !' be my daily prayer
To love thee and obey.



He takes it in his arms, above He looks, as if in prayer; Oh what a smile of pitying love, That gentle face doth wear.

38

It is the Saviour-children, go, That heavenly smile return ; He loves you more than you can know, That love, Oh do not spurn.

But Jesus now has gone above, No more on earth to live,

Still on each child he looks in love, His blessing still he'll give.

100. Seeking God.

Seek God while yet he will be found; Seek him from early youth; Seek him in all his works around, And in his page of truth.

Seek him with all your might and mind, Seek him with holy care; Seek him in thoughts of heavenly kind; Seek him in praise and prayer.

Seek him when earthly hopes decay, When life is joyous, seek; Seek him on every Sabbath day, And through the passing week.

Seek him, and him you soon shall find, And own how blest are they, Who put the morrow from the mind, To seek the Lord today. Happy Hours at Home.

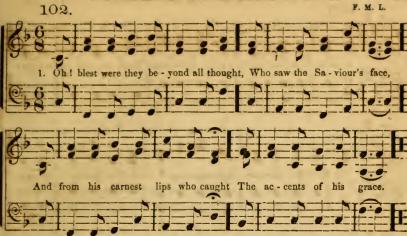
On the death of a Sabbath School Scholar. 101.

We come our Sabbath hymn to raise Our humble prayer to pour; One voice is hushed, its notes of praise

Shall mingle here no more.

The lips are still, the eye is dim That beamed with joy and love; The spirit-it hath gone to Him Who gave it from above.

We will not weep, for Jesus said "Let little children come," But pray that our young hearts be led To seek that better home. From Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools.



But still he smiles upon the child Who strives to act aright; Still in the midst of all, he sets The lowly,—his delight.

3

You may not see the look of love;
But your full heart can tell,
How, in its depths, from that free fount
The heavenly blessing fell.

4

When sin, without you or within,
Has spread its secret snare,
That look, that voice, may yet be near,
In answer to your prayer.

5

And when in heartfelt gratitude
Your hymn of praise you sing,
He, in his high and holy place
Accepts the offering.

Original.

103.

Love God with all your soul and strength,
With all your heart and mind;
And love your neighbor as yourself,—
Be faithful, just, and kind.

Do unto others as you would That they should do to you; Whate'er is honest, right, and good, With all your might pursue.

104.

1

O God, our strength, to thee the song
With grateful hearts we raise;
To thee, and thee alone, belong
All worship, love, and praise.

2

In trouble's dark and stormy hour,
Thine ear hath heard our prayer;
And graciously thine arm of power
Hath saved us from despair.

3

And thou, O ever gracious Lord,
Wilt keep thy promise still,
If, meekly hearkening to thy word,
We seek to do thy will.

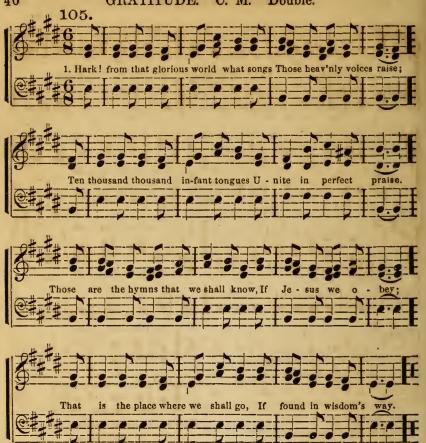
4

Led by the light thy grace imparts, Ne'er may we bow the knee To idols, which our wayward hearts Set up instead of thee.

5

So shall thy choicest gifts, O Lord,
Thy faithful people bless;
For them shall earth its stores afford,
And Heaven its happiness.





2 Soon will our earthly race be run, Our mortal frame decay: Children and teachers, one by one,

Must droop and pass away. Great God! impress the serious thought This day on every breast;

That both the teachers and the taught May enter to thy rest.

# 106.

1 How may a little pilgrim dare Life's dangerous path to tread, Since on the way is many a snare For youthful travelers spread?

And that broad road where thousands go. Lies near and opens fair,

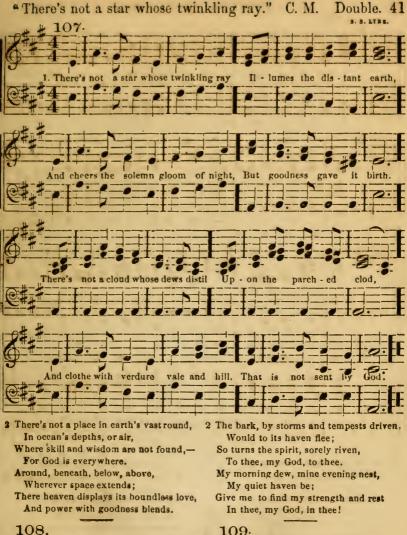
And many turn aside, I know, To walk with sinners there.

2 But lest my youthful steps should slide, Or wander from the way,

O Father, God, be thou my guide, And I shall never stray.

Then I may go without alarms, And trust the word of old—

"The lambs he'll gather in his arms, And lead them to the fold."



1 The wild flower drinks the morning dew. And greets the breezes free;

The pure in heart their strength renew From thee, my God, from thee!

The tired bird seeks at night her nest Within the sheltering tree:

So longs the weary heart to rest

40] On thee, my God, on thee.

Now that our journey's just begun, Our road so little trod, We'll come, before we farther run.

And give ourselves to God.

What sorrows may our steps attend, We never can foretell;

But since we know God is our friend We feel that all is well





The humble soul he guides; Teaches the meek his way; Kindness and truth he shows to all Who his just laws obey.

Give me the tender heart, That mixes fear with love, And lead me through whatever path Thy wisdom shall approve.

O, ever keep my soul From error, shame, and guilt; Nor suffer the fair hope to fail, Which on thy truth is built.

114. Come to the house of praise, Ye who are happy now;

In sweet accord your voices raise, In kindred homage bow.

Ye young, before his throne, Come, bow; your voices raise; Let not your hearts his praise disown, Who gives the power to praise.

Thou, whose benignant eye In mercy looks on all; Who see'st the tear of misery, And hear'st the mourner's call;

Up to thy dwelling-place Bear our frail spirits on, Till they outstrip time's tardy pace, And heaven on earth be won.

115.

See Israel's Shepherd stand, With all-engaging charms; See how he takes the tender lambs. And folds them in his arms.

"Permit them to approach, Forbid them not," he cried: " Of such my Father's kingdom is. And such with him abide."

O let this little flock, We children seek his face; And fly with transport to receive The blessings of his grace.

DODDRIDGE







In us reveal thy laws,

And teach us all thy will;

That we devoted to thy cause,

Thy pleasure may fulfil.

3

Let peace, and joy, and love,
Be fully, freely given,
And may our youthful hearts improve,
Till we are fit for heaven.

117.

We love this outward world,
Its fair sky overhead,
Its morning's soft gray mist unfurled,
Its sunsets, rich and red.

2

But there's a world within,

That higher glory hath,

A life the immortal soul must win,

The life of joy and faith.

118.

My Maker and my king!
To thee my all I owe:
Thy sovereign bounty is the spring
Whence all my blessings flow.

2

Thou ever good and kind!
A thousand reasons move,
A thousand obligations bind
My heart to grateful love.

3

Thy goodness, like the sun,
Dawned on my early days,
Ere infant reason had begun
To form my lips to praise.

4

The creature of thine hand,
On thee alone I live;
My God! thy benefits demand
More praise than life can give.

5

O let thy grace inspire

My soul with strength divine,

Let all my powers to thee aspire,

And all my days be thine. MRS. STEE





Sweet, at the dawning hour, Thy boundless love to tell: And, when the night-wind shuts the flower, 4 Whate'er thy will ordains, Still on the theme to dwell.

Sweet, on this day of rest, To join, in heart and voice, With those who love and serve thee best. And in thy name rejoice.

To songs of praise and joy Be every Sabbath given, That such may be our blest employ Eternally in heaven.

# 120.

My Father! cheering name! O, may I call thee mine? Give me the humble hope to claim A portion so divine.

This can my fears control, And bid my sorrows fly: What real harm can reach my soul Beneath my Father's eve?

Whate'er thy will denies, I calmly would resign: For thou art just, and good, and wise O, bend my will to thine!

- O, give me strength to bear ; Still let me know a Father reigns, And trust a Father's care.
- 5 Thy ways are little known To my weak, erring sight: Yet shall my soul, believing, own That all thy ways are right.
- 6 My Father !- blissful name ! Above expression dear: If thou accept my humble claim, I bid adieu to fear.

# · 121.

- 1 Once more, before we part, We'll bless the Saviour's name, Record his mercies every heart, Sing every tongue the same.
- 2 Lord, may we love thy word, And feed thereon and grow; Go on to learn thy holy will, And practice what we know.



2

From every earthly charm
O set my spirit free;
May I my time and strength devote,
My life, my all to thee.

3

In wisdom's pleasant ways

Help me to persevere,

Till I shall reach the world of bliss,

And serve thee better there.

123.

Blest are the pure in heart,
For they shall see our God;
The secret of the Lord is theirs;
Their soul is his abode.

9

Still to the lowly soul

God doth himself impart,

And for his temple and his throne

Doth choose the pure in heart. KERLE.

124.
Within these walls be peace,
Love through our borders found,
In all our youthful palaces
Prosperity abound.

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God scorns not humble things;
Here, though the proud despise,
The children of the King of kings
Are training for the skies.

125. 1
My few revolving years,
How swift they glide away!
How short the term of life appears,
When past,—but as a day!

A dark and cloudy day,
Clouded by grief and sin;
A host of enemies without,
Distressing fears within.

Lord, through another year

If thou permit my stay,
With diligence may I pursue
The true and living way!



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- 2 This is the thing I crave,
  A likeness to thy Son;
  This would I rather have,
  Than call the world my own.
- 3 Like him, now in my youth I long, O God, to be, In tenderness and truth, In sweet humility.
- 4 'T is my most fervent prayer,
  Be it more fervent still;
  Be it my highest care,
  Be it my settled will. FURNESS.

130.

- 1 How sweet to bless the Lord,
  And in his praises join,
  With saints his goodness to record,
  And sing his power divine.
- 2 These seasons of delight The dawn of glory seem, Like rays of pure celestial light, Which on our spirits beam.
- 3 O, blest assurance this
  Bright morn of heavenly day;

- Sweet forctaste of eternal bliss, That cheers the pilgrim's way.
- 4 Thus may our joys increase, Our love more ardent glow; While rich supplies of Jesus' grace Refresh our souls below.
- 131. Thoughts on Death.\*

  1 Beyond the hills that stand
  In majesty alone,—
  There is a purer land,
  And there our Father's throne.
- 2 No mortal step can tread Upon a shore so fair; No mortal voice be heard, But angels' harps are there.
- 3 And thither soars the soul, When life's brief day is done, There is the destined goal For each immortal one.
- 4 Then shall we turn away
  When God would call us home?
  No! let us rather say,
  Father we'll gladly come.
- From " Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools."



2 Grant us the listening ear,
The understanding heart,
The mind and will sincere,
To choose the better part.
To take the learner's lowly seat,
And gather wisdom at thy feet.

3 Through this and every day,
Teach us thy paths to tread,
Nor let our feet astray
In paths of sin be led;
But keep us in the narrow road,

The way to glory and to God.
Sabbath Chimes.

133.

Here, to our Sabbath home,
 Upon this holy day,
 With gladsome hearts we come,
 Our grateful thanks to pay,
 To Him whose constant love hath shed
 Its blessings on each youthful head.

2 While thus assembled here, Lessons of truth we learn, To thee with prayer sincere For light and strength we turn; Oh let thy spirit in each heart The power to do thy will impart.

Still drawing nearer thee,
As every day glides on,
Assist us, Lord, to be

True followers of thy Son; Let us, like him, obedient prove, Like him, fulfil the law of love.

4 Aid us, in word and deed,
To serve thee while we live;
And in each hour of need
Thy heavenly succor give;
O fill our hearts with love divine,
And let our every thought be thine.

134.

1 Father of life! we raise
To thee a parting song,
And ask thy saving grace
Upon the youthful throng;
Let thy pure sun upon us shine,
And light our way with truth divine.

2 May what we here have heard,
Lead us to worship thee;
Let thy most holy word,
Our guide and comfort be;
And may thy spirit from above
Descend and fill our souls with love.

3 And when we hence depart,
Where we have learned thy name,
Preserve each youthful heart
Unstained by sin or shame;
Guide in thy path our feeble feet,

And keep us till again we meet.

Original Hymns for Sabbath Schools.





2 Here read we, too, how Jesus grew In wisdom and in grace, That he within our hearts must reign, And cleanse them from each sinful stain, Till clearly there In lines so fair His image we may trace.

3 Accept us now as here we bow Thy favor to entreat, Bless thou the teacher and the taught, May both in thy great love be brought At last to stand, A happy band, Around thy mercy seat.

#### $136 \cdot$

1 Awake, awake, your homes forsake. To God your praises pay; The morning sun is clear and bright, How precious is the sacred light! With songs of love Praise God above.

It is the Sabbath day.

- 2 We hail the dawn of that blest morn On which the Saviour rose, When from the dark and silent tomb He banished all the doubt and gloom, And came in might To life and light, Triumphant o'er his foes.
- 3 The angels bright, from worlds of light, To greet his rising came; The Prince of life with joy they view. While heaven its glories o'er him threw: Then haste to fly Above the sky,

Their raptures to proclaim.

S. S. HARP.





2 Still this our happy band
Guarding, defending,
O'er us thy mighty hand
Ever extending,
Grant yet one blessing more
From thy abundant store,
On all our spirits pour
Grace from above.

3 O may thy holy Son
With us abiding,
Till earthly toil is done,
Leading and guiding,
Bring us at last to thee,
From sin and sorrow free,
With songs of victory—
"Worthy the Lamb!"

138.

1 Father, whose heavenly care, Round us for ever, Numbers our every hair, Leaving us never, Gladly that care we own,—
We, who thy love have known:
Grateful before thy throne
Bow we to-day.

- 2 Lambs of the Saviour's flock,
  Safe in his guiding,
  Sheltered beneath the Rock,
  Surely abiding.
  We for the wanderers plead:
  Our brothers pine in need;
  Lead them, Good Shepherd, lead
  Back to thy fold.
- 3 Let every fervent prayer,
  Heavenward ascending,
  With it some token bear
  Of love unending;
  Some word of kindness said,
  Some hungry orphan fed,
  Some gospel sunlight shed
  On darkened souls.
- 4 Then, when in heaven we stand.
  Joyfully singing,
  This poor and friendless band,
  Their praises bringing,
  Shall with our tongues unite,
  Saying, "All power and might
  Are thine, O Lord! of right,
  For evermore."



Be that prayer again repeated—
God speed the right;
Ne'er despairing, though defeated;
God speed the right.
Like the good and great in story,
If we fail, we fail with glory:
God speed the right.

9

Patient, firm and persevering;
God speed the right;
Ne'er th' event nor danger fearing;

God speed the right.

Pains, nor toils, nor trials heeding,
And in heaven's time succeeding—
God speed the right.

4

Still our onward course pursuing;
God speed the right;
Every foe at length subduing;
God speed the right.
Truth our cause, whate'er delay it,
There's no power on earth can stay it;
God speed the right.



I wish that his hands had been placed on my head,

That his arm had been thrown around me,

And that I might have seen his kind look when he said,

"Let the little ones come unto me."

3

Yet still to his presence in thought I may go,
And ask for a share of his love;
He who loved little children, when dwelling below,
Must love them, when dwelling above.



- 2 Now our steps are wending, With our schoolmates bending Towards the Sunday School; There we love to gather, Bringing to our Father Hearts with praises full.
- 3 May their music never
  Find us straying ever
  Farther from our God,
  But with spirits burning,
  Faces heavenward turning,
  Seeking his abode.

1 Father! thine the praises
Infancy now raises,
To the Lord of all!
Thou dost watch our slumber,
Every hair dost number,
See'st the sparrow's fall.

- 2 For a love so tender,
  What may children render
  To a Father good?
  How their thanks expressing,
  For thine every blessing,
  Show their gratitude?
- 3 Hands with succor speedy
  For the poor and needy,
  Eyes to all the blind,
  Feet with service willing,
  Hearts that love is filling,
  Truth within the mind,—
- 4 These the gifts, O Father,
  That thou choosest, rather
  Than aught else we bring;
  Oh! that all before thee
  Rightly may adore thee,
  With this offering.

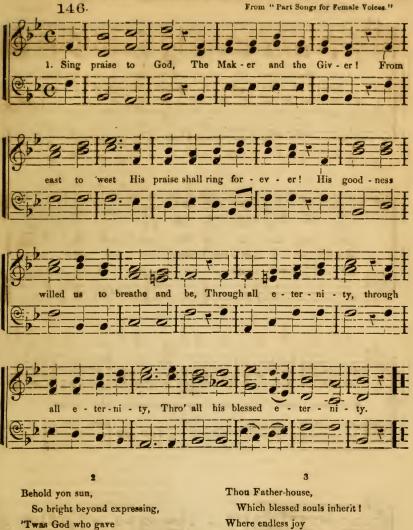


- 2 Lovely is the dawn
  Of each rising day,
  Loveliest the morn
  Of the Sabbath day;
  Then our happy thoughts are full,
  Of the precious Sabbath School.
- 3 To our listening ears
  Blessed news are brought—
  Tidings of the work
  Love divine has wrought;
  Gracious news and merciful—
  How we love the Sabbath School.
- 4 Teachers, you are kind
  Thus to point the road
  Leading us from sin
  To our Father, God.
  May we all be dutiful
  In the precious Sabbath School.
- 5 Sweetly fades the light
  Of each passing day!
  Fairest is the night
  Of the Sabbath day.
  Then our hearts with praise are full
  For the precious Sabbath School.



- 2 There the sun is ever shining
  On the sweet fields of heaven,
  There the harps are ever ringing,
  With the sounds of praise.
  Let us seek, &c.
- 3 There is heard no voice of wailing,
  There no tear may ever fall,
  But the anthem never-failing
  Rises to the Lord of all.
  Let us seek, &c.
- 4 Children, too, may join the singing,
  And the holy strain repeat,
  Each a palm of victory bringing
  Lowly, to the Conqueror's feet.
  Let us seek, &c.

- 1 Time its steady flight is winging,
  And the year's last hours draw nigh,
  Each a solemn message bringing,
  Telling of eternity.
  - Here on earth we're but pilgrims, Here on earth we're but pilgrims, Here on earth we're but pilgrims, To our home on high.
- 2 There the Father's smile awaits us, There the voice of the Saviour Bids the spirit joyous welcome To its home on high. Here on earth, &c.
- 3 Are our lives in goodness growing,
  Every day more pure and true,
  Love on all around bestowing,
  Keeping heaven, our home in view?
  Here on earth, &c.



All things that are, from his wisdom spring; The great Almighty King, the great Almighty King,

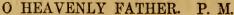
That great and glorious blessing;

From Him, the great Almighty King!

Delights each happy spirit!

Loud let it roll through the world along, The spheres' glad thunder song, the sphered

glad thunder song, The mighty Father's triumph song.













2 When silent eve, o'er twilight faintly glowing, Lets fall her starry curtain in the west, In filial trust, like quiet waters flowing, Beneath thy sure protection may we rest. So when life's day of faithful work is ended, And gently breathe worn nature's parting sighs, By thy great grace from every fear defended, Shall Heaven's bright glories beam upon our eyes.

And sweet and clear Shall float along, Near and more near, The angels' song.

148.

1 Father, who hearest all before thee kneeling,
Humbly we raise to thee our earnest prayer,
That thou would'st fill our every thought and feeling
Full with the sense of all thy tender care.
Thou, who commandest all the waves of ocean,
The awful lightnings flashing through the sky,
Whose power directs the circling planet's motion,
Thine ear attends to all thy children's cry.

For naught is vast,
And naught is small,
To Thee, First, Last,
Great All in All.

2 The blessed angels bend from heaven o'er us, To watch for every wanderer's return, And as he prays, how glad their joyful chorus, And brighter still their censers burn. From sin and death Christ waiteth to deliver, The Holy Spirit to our help comes down, A witness cloud is round about us ever,

And God's own hand holds forth a glorious crown.

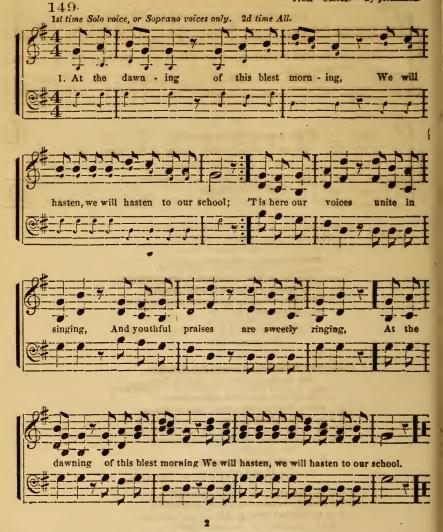
The Saviour near,

All doubt be gone,

In holy cheer

Press on, press on.

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To our Father our thanks we render
For our happy, for our happy Sunday School,
And to his footstool our prayers ascending,
With notes of angels and saints are blending,
At the dawning, &c.

Then with gladness we hear the story
Of our Saviour, of our Saviour while on earth,
On little children around him pressing,
His hand of mercy was laid in blessing,
At the dawning, &c.

4

Of the mansions of life eternal
We are learning, we are learning in our school,
Oh! to our spirits be this the portal
That leads to glories and joys immortal.
At the dawning, &c.

150.

1

We are seeking a heavenly country:
Will you follow, will you follow, as we go?
This earth is lovely, with music ringing,
But angel voices in heaven are singing.
We are seeking a heavenly country,
Will you follow, will you follow, as we go?

2

Fair the sunshine on grove and meadow,
We are happy, we are happy in the sight,
The fields of Eden are ever vernal,
God's holy presence their light eternal.
We are seeking, &c.

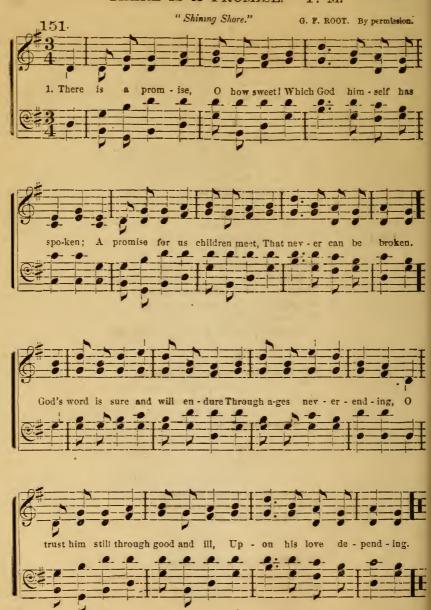
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Friends and parents with love surround us;
They are dearer, they are dearer every day,
One love abiding exceeds all others,
That love immortal beyond a brother's.
We are seeking, &c.

4

All that's earthly is quickly passing,
And we may not, and we may not linger here;
But heavenly treasures can fail us never,
This life's true blessings are ours forever.
We are seeking, &c.

[6]



He calls us in our youthful days,
To choose his kindly guiding,
And they that early seek, he says,
Shall find his care abiding.
God's word, &c.

3

Shall we neglect that gracious call,
And leave it till the morrow,
And find, when pain and grief hefall,
No comfort for our sorrow?

God's word, &c.

4

Oh! no; we'll serve him in our youth,
A service free and willing,
We'll prove how boundless is his truth,
How bounteous its fulfilling.
God's word, &c.

### 152.

- Poured forth on that bright morning,
  When earth assumed her heavenly post,
  Her sister worlds adorning.
  Oh! praise the Lord with one accord.
  To him alone be glory,
  With loud acclaim, Oh! sound his name
  And tell the wondrous story.
- We sing the song the angels sang
  Of old, to shepherds weary,
  When heaven with hallelujahs rang,
  O'er Judah's hill-side dreary.
  Oh! praise, &c.
- S We sing the song that through the air
  Of Zion's courts was ringing,
  When God's best gift—the Saviour—there,
  The children hailed with singing.
  Oh! praise, &c.
- 4 We sing the song that we shall sing
  Around the throne forever,
  When every creature praise shall bring,
  And worship falter never.
  Oh! praise, &c.



2

Descend thou from above,
Spirit of truth and love,
Speed on thy flight!
Move o'er the waters' face,
Spirit of hope and grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light!

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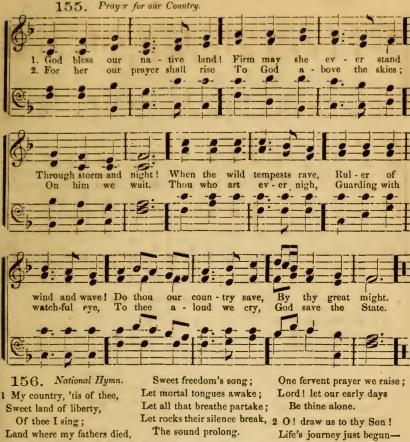
Come, thou Almighty King!
Help us thy name to sing!
Help us to praise!
Father, all-glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us,
Ancient of days!

2

Come, thou all-gracious Lord!
By heaven and earth adored,
Our prayer attend!
Come, and thy children bless;
Give thy good word success;
Make thine own holiness
On us descend.

3

Never from us depart;
Rule thou in every heart,
Hence, evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.



From every mountain side Let freedom ring.

2 My native country, thee-Land of the noble, free-Thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills,

Thy woods and templed hills;

Like that above.

3 Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees [60]

Land of the pilgrim's pride, '3 Our fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty,

To thee we sing: Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King.

157.

My heart with rapture thrills 1 Our Father, throned above ! Thy watchful care and love Thy children own ; With our glad hymns of praise

Life's paths untried-O'er all the dangerous steep May the good Shepherd keep His weak and wand'ring sheep Their Strength and Guide.

3 O! draw us to thy Son! Thou, who would'st have us one

With him and thee! In that close union blest, Thy peace shall fill each breast, And heaven's eternal rest Our portion be. Original.



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2

Hear the mountain streamlet
In the solitude,
With its ripple, saying,
"God is ever good!"

3

In the leafy tree-tops,
Where no fears intrude,
Merry birds are singing,
"God is ever good!"

4

Bring, my heart, thy tribute, Songs of gratitude; While all nature utters, "God is ever good!"

159. 1
Morn amid the mountains,
Lonely solitude,

Gushing streams and fountains, Murmur, "God is good."

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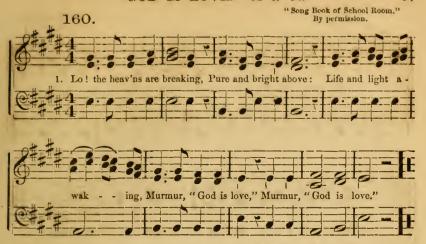
Now the glad sun breaking, Pours a golden flood; Deepest vales awaking, Echo, "God is good."

3

Hymns of praise are ringing, Through the leafy wood; Songsters sweetly singing, Warble, "God is good."

4

Wake, and join the chorus, Man, with soul endued! He, whose smile is o'er us, God, our God is good.



Round you pine clad mountain, Flows a golden flood: Hear the sparkling fountain Whisper, "God is good."

3

See the streamlet bounding,
Through the vale and wood,
Hear its ripples sounding,
Tell that "God is good,"

4

Music now is ringing,
Through the leafy grove,
Feathered songsters singing,
. Warble, "God is good."

5

Wake my heart, and springing Spread thy wings above, Soaring still, and singing, Singing, "God is good."

161 Hand in hand with Angels.

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Hand in hand with angels,

Through the world we go;

Brighter eyes are on us

Than we blind ones know.

2

Tenderer voices cheer us
Than we deaf will own;
Never, walking heavenward,
Can we walk alone.

3

Hand in hand with angels;
Some are out of sight,
Leading us, unknowing,
Into paths of light.

A

Some soft hands are covered From our mortal grasp, Soul in soul to hold us With a firmer clasp.

5

Hand in hand with angels,
Walking every day,
How the chain may brighten,
None of us can say.

6

Yet it doubtless reaches
From earth's lowest one,
To the loftiest scraph
Standing near the throne







Though so small and helpless, Jesus calls us his, Saying of such children Heaven's great kingdom is.

3

Learning God's commandments
In our Sunday School,
And to guide our actions
By the golden rule,

4

We would love our Father From our early days, So, on earth to serve him, Or in heaven to praise.

163. 1
When o'er earth is breaking
Rosy light, and fair,
Morn afar proclaimeth,
Sweetly, "God is there."

Z

When the spring is wreathing Flowers, rich and rare,

On each leaf is written, "Nature's God is there."

3

When the storm is howling
Through the midnight air,
Fearfully its thunder
Tells us, "God is there."

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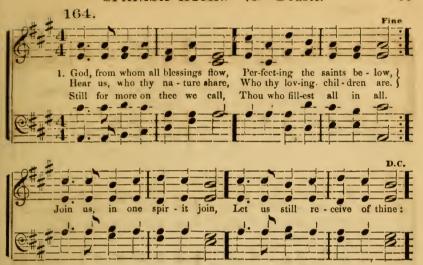
All the wide world's treasures, Rich, or grand, or fair, In each feature beareth, Graven, "God is there."

5

Author of creation,
When thy work was done,
Shouts of exultation
Echoed round thy throne.

6

Morning stars were ringing Through the vault above; Sons of God were singing Of thy power and love.



2 Sweetly may we all agree,
Touched with softest sympathy;
Kindly for each other care;
Every member feel its share.
Never from our office move,
Needful to each other prove;
Use the grace on each bestowed,
Tempered by the art of God.

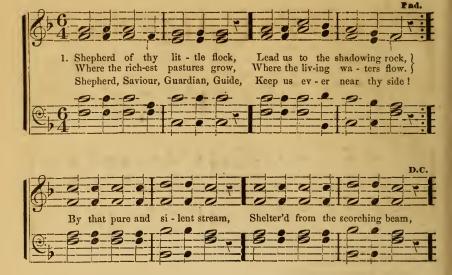
### 165.

- I Father, now to thee we raise
  Grateful songs and hymns of praise;
  Let thy blessing on us rest,
  With thy smile may we be blest:
  Thanks to thee, our Father kind,
  For the truths of heart and mind,
  For the love and watchful care,
  That have blessed us through the year.
- 2 Father, be our guide in youth,
  Lead us in the paths of truth;
  May we thy true children be,
  Honest, loving, brave, and free;
  May we love to do thy will,
  In the world our part fulfil,
  And, as year by year goes by,
  Grow in truth and purity.

## 166.

- 1 Little trav'lers, Zionward,
  Each one ent'ring into rest,
  In the kingdom of your Lord,
  In the mansions of the blest;
  There, to welcome, Jesus waits,
  Gives the crowns his foll'wers winLift your heads, ye golden gates!
  Let the little trav'lers in!
- 2 Who are they whose little feet,
  Pacing life's dark journey through,
  Now have reach'd that heavenly scat
  They had ever kept in view?
  - "I from Greenland's frozen land;"
    "I from India's sultry plain;"
  - "I from Afric's barren sand;"
    "I from islands of the main."
- 3 "All our earthly journey past,
  Every tear and pain gone by,
  Here together met at last,
  At the portal of the sky!
  Each the welcome 'Come' awaits,
  Conqu'rors over death and sin!"—
  Lift your heads, ye golden gates!
  Let the little trav'lors in!





To thy pastures, fair and large, Heavenly Shepherd, lead thy charge; And my couch, with tenderest care, 'Midst the springing grass prepare. When I faint with summer's heat, Thou shalt guide my weary feet To the streams, that, still and slow, Through the verdant meadows flow.

2

Safe the dreary vale I tread,
By the shades of death o'erspread;
With thy rod and staff supplied,
This my guard, and that my guide.
Constant to my latest end,
Thou my footsteps shalt attend,
And shalt bid thy hallowed dome
Yield me an eternal home.

### 169.

As the sun's enlivening eye
Shines on every place the same,
So the Lord is always nigh
To the souls that love his name.
For a season called to part,
Let us, then, ourselves commend
To the gracious eye and heart
Of our ever-present Friend.

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Father, hear our humble prayer;
Tender Shepherd of thy sheep,
Let thy mercy and thy care
All our souls in safety keep.
In thy strength may we be strong;
Sweeten every cross and pain;
Give us, if we live, ere long,
Here to meet in peace again.





Simple, teachable and mild, As becomes a little child; Pleased with what my God provides, Weaned from all the world besides.

3

Father, fix my soul on thee, Every evil make me flee: May I seek the things above, Only happy in thy love!

### 171.

All ye nations, praise the Lord;
All ye lands, your voices raise;
Heaven and earth, with loud accord,
Praise the Lord, forever praise.

2

For his truth and mercy stand,
Past, and present, and to be,
Like the years of his right hand,
Like his own eternity.

3

Praise him, ye who know his love;
Praise him, from the depths beneath;
Praise him in the heights above;
Praise your Maker, all that breathe!

# 172. 1

Suppliant, lo! thy children bend,
Father, for thy blessing now;
Thou canst teach us, guide, defend,—
We are weak, almighty thou.

2

With the peace thy word imparts,
Be the taught and teacher blest;
In their lives and on their hearts,
Father, be thy laws imprest.

3

Pour into each longing mind
Light and knowledge from above:
Charity for all mankind—
Trusting faith, enduring love GRA



- 2 Wandering thoughts and languid powers Come not where devotion kneels; Let the soul expand her stores, Glowing with the joy she feels.
- 3 At the portals of thine house,
  We resign our earth-born cares;
  Nobler thoughts our souls engross,
  Songs of praise and fervent prayers.
  TAYLOR.

- In a modest, humble mind, God will ever take delight;
   But the proud shall never find Grace and favor in his sight.
- 2 Was not Jesus meek and mild? He no angry thoughts allow'd! O, then, shall a little child Dare to be perverse and proud?
- 3 This, indeed, should never be; Lord, forbid it, we entreat; Grant that all may learn of thee, That humility is sweet.

## 175.

- 1 Early as we think or talk, We in God's own way would walk; Early as we feel or speak, We the Sunday School would seek.
- 2 Help us, Lord, the way to find, How we may be good and kind;

- How, with temper sweet and mild, Each may be a Christian child.
- 3 Help us, too, to act the truth, Through the slippery years of youth; Guide us, keep us, Lord, we pray, Each and all from sin's dark way.
- 4 As we strong and older grow, More we'll try to do and know; Hither come from year to year, Early in our class appear.
- 5 Love our teachers, love the place, Grow in stature, grow in grace, Live a life of truth and love, So be meet for bliss above.

# 176.

- 1 Thanks to thee, before we part, Father, rise from every heart, For the blessed Sabbath, given To prepare our souls for heaven.
- 2 Give the teaching of this hour O'er our lives a guiding power; Deep impress thy saving truth On the wavering heart of youth.
- 3 Guide and Guardian be to each
  Till that safer home we reach,
  Where—sweet Sabbaths never o'er—
  We shall meet and part no more.





- 2 Check each proud and wandering thought 5 Praise the mercy that did send When on thy great name we call, Man is naught, is less than naught, Thou, O God, art all in all.
- 3 O receive the praise that dares Seek thy heaven-exalted throne; Bless our offerings, hear our prayers, Infinite and Holy One.

- 1 Praise to God; oh! let us raise From our hearts a song of praise; Of that goodness let us sing Whence our lives and blessings spring.
- 2 Praise to Him who made the light, Praise to Him who gave us sight! Praise to Him who formed the ear ! He our humble praise will hear.
- 3 Praise Him for our happy hours; Praise Him for our varied powers; For these thoughts that soar above: For these hearts he made for love.
- For the voice he placed within, Bearing witness when we sin; Praise to Him whose tender care Keeps the watchful guardian there!

Jesus for our guide and friend: Praise Him, every heart and voice, Him who makes the world rejoice.

FOLLEN.

## 179.

- 1 Saviour! to the living well Thou hast brought our little feet; Where its purest waters swell, Thou hast made our safe retreat.
- 2 Other lambs, to thee as dear, Wander in the desert bare. Thirsting for the fountain clear, Fainting in the sultry air.
- 3 We would lead them to thy side, That, like us, they may be blest; Tender Shepherd! be their guide To the pastures of our rest.
- 4 We would bring them to the spring Of thy never failing love, Let its waters murmuring All their pain and thirst remove,-
- 5 Till within their hearts that wave Source of hidden life shall be; Welling up to bless and save, Springing to eternity.

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- 2 See, he leaves his Father's throne, Lays aside his starry crown, And to save the sons of men, Christ is born in Bethlehem.
- 3 Hark! a new song rends the sky,
  "Glory be to God on high,
  Peace on earth, good will to men,
  Christ is born in Bethlehem."
- 4 Angels now their chorus sing, While the heavenly arches ring To the seraphs' glad "Amen, Christ is born in Bethlehem."
- 5 Children, catch the wondrous sound,
  Let it peal the earth around,
  Till all nations, tribes, and men,
  Love the "Babe of Bethlehem."

  Sabbath Chimes.

# 181. Glory to God.

- 1 Glory be to God on high, God whose glory fills the sky, Peace on earth to man forgiven, Man, the well-beloved of heaven!
- 2 Happy children, raise the song; Endless thanks to God belong; Hearts o'erflowing with his praise, Ioin the hymns your voices raise.

- 3 Mark the wonders of his hand; Power, no empire can withstand; Wisdom, angels' glorious theme; Goodness, one eternal stream!
- 4 Gracious being! from thy throne Send thy promised blessings down; Let thy light, thy truth, thy peace, Bid our selfish passions cease.

## 182.

- 1 Glory to our heavenly King!
  Bounteous Parent! thee we sing;
  Gratitude the strain inspires,
  Humble hopes, sincere desires.
- 2 God of glory! God of love!
  Lord of all the worlds above!
  Thee we bless for daily food;
  Thee we bless for every good.
- 3 More than all, we praise thee, Lord, For the blessings of thy word; For the tidings Jesus brought, For the precepts Jesus taught.
- 4 Gracious Father! Heavenly King! Feeble lips presume to sing; Infant voices humbly raise Grateful, fervent songs of praise!



- 2 Ye are travelling home to God, In the way the fathers trod; They are happy now, and ye Soon their happiness shall see.
- 3 Shout, ye little flock and blest; You on Jesus' throne shall rest; There your seat is now prepared, There your kingdom and reward.
- 4 Lord, submissive make us go, Gladly leaving all below; Only thou our leader be, And we still will follow thee.

- 1 Child! to thee the loved of Heaven, Boundless power to improve is given; Rise to meet temptation's power; Stand, in passion's wildest hour.
- 2 Fast as danger round thee grows, Gather strength from conquered foes; Tread the path the Leader trod, Pressing on to peace, to God.
- 3 Pause not, rest not, yield not now, Soon the crown shall grace thy brow;

Child of Heaven! then fix thine eyes Onward! onward to the prize.

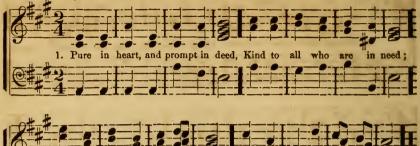
### 185.

- 1 Feeble, helpless, how shall I Learn to live, and learn to die? Who, O God, my guide shall be? Who shall lead thy child to thee?
- 2 Blessed Father, gracious one! Thou hast sent thy holy Son; He will give the light I need, He my trembling steps will lead.
- 3 Through this world, uncertain, dim,
  Let me ever lean on him;
  From his precepts wisdom draw,
  Make his life my solemn law.
- 4 Thus in deed, and thought, and word Led by Jesus Christ the Lord, In my weakness, thus shall I Learn to live, and learn to die.
- 5 Learn to live in peace and love, Like the perfect ones above;— Learn to die without a fear, Feeling thee, my Father, near.

FURNESS.









Watchful, mild, obedient; Grateful for each biessing lent; Loving only what is right In my heavenly Father's sight;

3

Doing good to all I see,
As I'd have them do to me:
This my sum of duty here,
Bringing me to heaven more near.
Tressures of Song and Story.

187.

Holy, holy, holy Lord!
Be thy glorious name adored!
Lord, thy mercies never fail;
Hail, celestial goodness, hail!

2

Though unworthy, Lord, thine ear, Deign our humble songs to hear; Purer praise we hope to bring, When around thy throne we sing.

3

There no tongue shall silent be, All shall join in harmony; That, through heaven's capacious round, Praise to thee may ever sound.

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Lord, thy mercies never fail; Hail, celestial goodness, hail! Holy, holy, holy Lord, Be thy glorious name adored!

188. Parting Hymn.

1

For a season called to part,

Let us then ourselves commend
To the gracious eye and heart,

Of our ever-present Friend.

9

Father, hear our humble prayer!
Tender shepherd of thy sheep,
Let thy mercy and thy care
All our souls in safety keep.

3

In thy strength may we be strong; Sweeten every cross and pain; Give us, if we live, ere long, Here to meet in beace again.



Arranged from Root's " Flower Queen."



2

With a voice of mercy mild, He is pleading with thee, child, "Follow me, the Living Way, I will be thy guide, thy stay."

3

"Follow me when sin is nigh,
I will bid the tempter fly;
Follow me thro' death's dark night,
And my cross shall give thee light."

4

Then will rise thy visioned youth, Clothed with an immortal truth, And thy faith be changed to sight, In a pure, unfading light.

190. God in Nature.

1

In each breeze that wanders free,
And each flower that gems the sod,
Living souls may hear and see,
Freshly uttered words from God.

9

God is present, and doth shine
Through each scene beneath the sky,
Kindling with a light divine,
Every form that meets the eye. [7\*]

3

Let us then with searching mind, Seek a good where'er it springs. We shall then true wisdom find, Hidden in familiar things.

191.

Pleasant is the Sabbath chime, Telling us of holy time; Kind our teachers are to-day,— In the school we love to stay.

2

But a music sweeter far, Breathes where angel spirits are, Higher far than earthly strains, Where the rest of God remains.

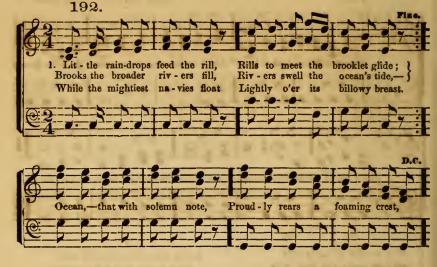
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Shall we ever rise to dwell Where immortal praises swell? And can children ever go Where eternal Sabbaths glow?

4

Yes, that rest our own may be— All the good shall Jesus see, And for them that rest remains, Where the Lord forever reigns.

Sabbath School



So, the dew-drops gathered here,—
Mites from willing childhood's hand,
Shall those streams of bounty cheer,
That with greenness clothe the land;
With that sea of love shall blend,
Which the gospel's grace doth pour,

And the name of Jesus send E'en to earth's remotest shore.

193.

Hear ye not a voice from heaven, To the list'ning spirit given? "Children, come," it seems to say; "Give your hearts to me to-day." Sweet as is a mother's love, Tender as the heavenly Dove; Thus it speaks a Saviour's charms, Thus it wins us to his arms.

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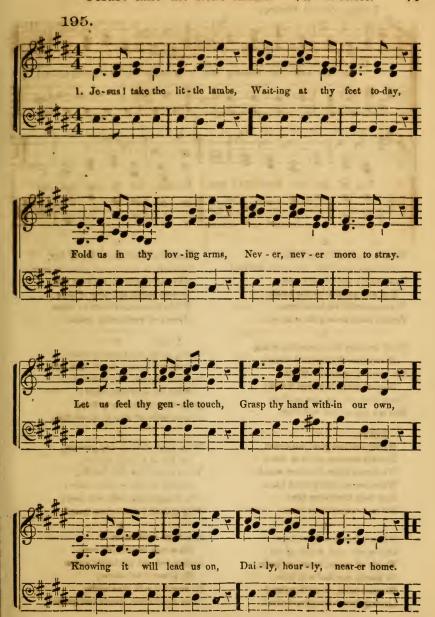
Lord, we will remember thee While from pains and sorrow free; While our day is in its dew, And the cases of life are few While to thee, O Lord, we come In our morning's early bloom, Breathe on us thy grace divine, Take our hearts and make them thine.

194.

Lo! the lilies of the field!
How their leaves instruction yield!
Hark to nature's lesson given
By the blessed birds of heaven!
Every bush and tufted tree
Warbles trust and piety:
Children, banish doubt and sorrow,—
God provideth for the morrow.

9

One there lives, whose guardian eye Guides our earthly destiny; One there lives, who, Lord of all, Keeps his children lest they fall: Pass we, then, in love and praise, Trusting him, through all our days, Free from doubt and faithless sorrow,—God provideth for the morrow.







Mercies, multiplied each hour,
Through our lives, our praise demand;
Guarded by thy mighty power,
Fed and guided by thy hand.
Yet ungrateful we have been,
Paying back these gifts with sin.

3

Lord, we pray for pardoning grace,
In our dear Redeemer's name:
Sin remove, and in its place
Give us virtue's purest flame;
Thus, from all our sins set free,
May we rest at last with thee.

197.

Words are things of little cost, Quickly spoken, quickly lost; We forget them, but they stand Witnesses at God's right hand, And their testimony bear For us or against us there.

-2

O how often ours have been
Idle words, and words of sin!
Words of anger, scorn, or pride,
Or deceit, our faults to hide,
Envious tales, or strife unkind,
Leaving bitter thoughts behind.

3

Grant us, Lord, from day to day, Strength to watch, and grace to prov: May our lips, from sin kept free, Love to speak and sing of thee; Till in heaven we learn to raise Hymns of everlasting praise.

198.

Quiet, Lord, my froward heart,
Make me loving, meek, and mild
Upright, simple, free from art;
Make me as a little child;
From distrust and envy free;
Pleased with all that pleaseth thee.

2

What thou shalt to-day provide, Let me as a child receive; What to-morrow may betide, Calmly to thy wisdom leave; 'Tis enough that thou wilt care; Why should I the burden bear?

As a little child relies
On a care beyond his own,
Knows beneath his father's eyes
He is never left alone;
So would I with thee abide,
Thou my Father, guard and guide!





In infancy a stranger,

How mean was his abode!

His cradle was a manger,

Himself the Son of God,

3

His earthly parents found him Submissive day by day, So meek to all around him, So ready to obey.

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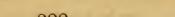
No stain of sin or folly Could ever cloud his brow. His heart so pure and holy With love would ever glow.

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And when his foes assailed him,
He sought but to forgive;
When to the cross they nailed him,
He died that they might live.

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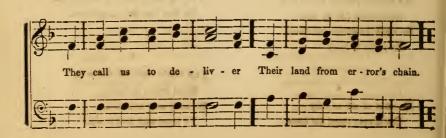
This bright example shows us
What duties to fulfil:
Oh let it now arouse us
To learn and do lis will.











What though the spicy breezes
Blow soft o'er Ceylon's isle;
Though every prospect pleases,
And only man is vile?
In vain with lavish kindness
The gifts of God are strewn;
The heathen in his blindness
Bows down to wood and stone.

3

Shall we, whose souls are fighted
By wisdom from on high,
Shall we to men benighted.
The lamp of life deny?
Salvation! O salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till earth's remotest nation
Shall learn Messiah's name.

HEBER.

3

Or, if 'tis e'er denied thee
In solitude to pray,
Should holy thoughts come o'er thee,
When friends are round thy way;
E'en then the silent breathing
Thy spirit rais'd above,
Will reach his throne of glory,
Who is Mercy, Truth, and Love.

4

Oh! not a joy nor blessing
With this can we compare,
The power that he hath given us
To pour our souls in prayer!
Whene'er thou pin'st in sadness,
Before his footstool fall,
Remember, in thy gladness,
His love who gave thee all.

EDIN. MAG

201. Prayer.

1

Go, when the morning shineth,
Go, when the moon is bright,
Go, when the eve declineth,
Go, in the hush of night;
Go, with pure mind and feeling,
Fling earthly thought away,
And, in thy chamber kneeling,
Do thou in secret pray.

2

Remember all who love thee,
All who are loved by thee,
Pray too, for those who hate thee,
If any such there be;
Then for thyself in meekness,
A blessing humbly claim,
And link with each petition
Thy great Redeemer's name.

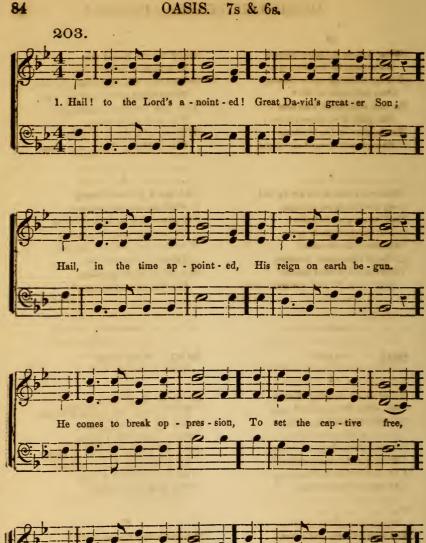
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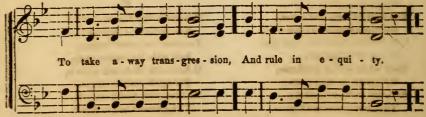
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Remember thy Creator
While youth's fair spring is bright
Before thy cares are greater,
Before comes age's night;
While yet the sun shines o'er thea.
While stars the darkness cheer
While life is all before thee,
Thy great Creator fear.

9

Remember thy Creator,
Before the dust returns
To earth, its kindred nature,
And life's last ember burns,—
Before, with God, who gave it,
The spirit shall appear,—
He cries, who died to save it,
"Thy great Creator fear,"





Before him, on the mountains, .
Shall Peace the herald go;
And righteousness in fountains
From hill to valley flow.
For him shall prayer unceasing,
And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

3

O'er every foe victorious,
He on his throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever;
That name to us is—Love!

MONTGOMERY.

QO4. 1
O God, our Heavenly Father!
With grateful hearts we come,
And in devotion gather
Within this hallowed room:
And while our feeble voices
Bear up the hymn to thee,
Each tender heart rejoices
In thy benignity.

2

Here may thy blessing greet us,
On this thy holy day,
And here our teachers meet us,
And point the heavenly way,—
The way of truth and duty,
Pursued by thy dear Son,—
The path of light and beauty,
Heaven's course on earth begun.

3

Here, while we learn his story
Of meckness, faith, and love,
Of trials, sufferings, glory,
An1 endless joy above,
[8]

O Father! here endue us
With wisdom from on high;
And, as we need, renew us
In Christ-like piety.

4

O Father! may thy kindness
Our gratitude command!
O, may we ne'er in blindness
Reject thy proffered hand!
Thy wisdom, let it guide us
Along life's devious road;
Thy love at last provide us
A rest with thee, O God!

205.

We meet again in gladness,
And thankful voices raise;
To God our Heavenly Father,
We tune our grateful praise:
His own kind hand hath kept us
Through all the changing year;
His love it is that brings us
Again to worship here.

2

We thank him for the Sabbath,
This day of holy rest;
And for the blessed Bible,
The book the good love best;
For Sabbath schools and teachers,
To us in kindness given,
To guide us in the pathway
That leads to joys in heaven.

3

We thank him for our country,
The land our fathers trod;
For liberty of conscience,
And right to worship God.
O Lord, our Heavenly Father,
Accept the praise we bring,
And tune our hearts and voices
Thy glorious name to sing.



Health, peace, and joy attend us,
Kind friends are ever near;
O Father! thou dost send us
Unnumbered blessings here:
And though we, in our blindness,
Enjoy, but disobey,
Yet still, thou, in thy kindness,
Tak'st not thy gifts away.

3

Here, then, in childhood's morning,
Our hymns to thee we raise;
Thy love, our lives adorning,
Shall fill our hearts with praise.
Thy will henceforth for ever
Shall be our only guide;
From duty's path we'd never,
O, never! turn aside.

# 207.

We are the Lambs of Jesus,
And know our Shepherd's voice,
We follow where he leads us,
And in his care rejoice;
For we are young and feeble,
And apt to go astray,
Bat he is strong and able,
To guide us in the way.

2

We are the Lambs of Jesus,

He calls us by our names;
In meadows green he leads us,

And by the sparkling streams:

And though dread foes surround us,

His eye doth never sleep,

No evil can come nigh us,

While close to him we keep.

We are the Lambs of Jesus,
Bound for those mansions fair,
That he has gone before us,
In glory to prepare.
And when he waiteth for us,
With arms outstretched to blee.
There, folded to his bosom,
We shall forever rest.

### 208.

We come with happy greeting
And cheerful hearts to-day,
Within the temple meeting,
Our grateful thanks to pay.
To ask God's kind protection,
We, too, would gather here
To seek his wise direction,
Upon the opening year.

2

Oh! that its hours may never
Be lost, or spent in sin,
But find us striving ever
Eternal life to win.
Then, when the soul immorts
Shall leave the things of time,
Brightly, at Heaven's fair portal,
Shall dawn the life sublime.

Original

To Thee be praise forever,
Thou glorious King of kings,
Thy wond'rous love and favor
Each ransomed spirit sings:
We'll celebrate thy glory
With all thy saints above,
And shout the joyful story
Of thy redeeming love.



Go, while the day-star shineth;
Go, while thy heart is light;
Go, ere thy strength declineth,
While every sense is bright:
Sell all thou hast, and buy it;
'T is worth all earthly things—
Rubies, and gold, and diamonds,
Sceptres, and crowns of kings.

Go, ere the clouds of sorrow
Steal o'er the bloom of youth;
Defer not till to-morrow:
Go now, and buy the truth.
Go seek thy great Creator,
Learn early to be wise:
Go, place upon his altar
A morning sacrifice!

1

The season's happy voices,
From forest, field and flood,
Now when the earth rejoices,
With spring's awakening good,—
From lowland, hill and river,
Go up in songs of praise;
And ours, to life's great Giver,
In unison we raise.

2

The Bible he has given,—
Its promises and peace,—
Its pure and perfect heaven,
Where sorrowing shall cease;
For all that makes our being
Worth having here below,
To Him, the one All-seeing,
Our full hearts overflow.

3

Delight we here to gather,
From all our quiet homes,
To learn thy will, our Father,
From whom all wisdom comes.
To drink the blessed spirit.
Of Jesus, thy dear Son,
That so we may inherit
The kingdom he has won.

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211.

1

The seraphs bright are hovering
Around the throne above,
Their harps are ever tuning
To thrilling tones of love.
Or through the azures soaring,
Or poised on snowy wing,
With glowing hearts adoring,
Sweet choral notes they sing.

2

From earth is daily rising A rich, harmonious song, [8\*] From sunny, perfumed flowers
By breezes borne along.
From hills in sunlight glittering,
From smooth, deep emerald seas,
A cloud of praise is rising
Like incense on the breeze.

8

And childhood's voice is chanting
A full, harmonious song,
When morning light is breaking,
Or evening sweeps along.
For should we fail proclaiming
Our great Redeemer's praise,
The stones, our silence shaming,
Would their hosanna raise.

212

1

How beauteous in life's morning, In days of joyous youth; To witness in its dawning The heavenly gleam of truth: For then bright sunny visions, Dance blithely o'er the heart, Earth in its wide dimensions, No lovelier sight imparts.

2

With joy we greet the hour,
Which bids us all to meet,
To own our Father's power,
And fall at Jesus' feet.
And e'en if sorrow's vesture
O'er our young spirits lies,
Our faith will pierce the shadow,
And point to cloudless skies.

3

O Thou who art the giver
Of all we claim below,
Whose throne must stand forever,
When earth's proud realm lies hw;
O! aid the Sabbath Teacher,
And bless the Sabbath School,
Till all shall reach that mansion,
Where endless love shall rule









Humbly our sins confessing
With penitential tear,
Father! we seek thy blessing
On this our meeting here:
O, may all those who teach us,
Be taught of thee above,
That they with power may reach us,
The power of faith and love.

3

Preserve us from temptation,
From idle words and play;
And let thine approbation
Attend us through the day;
O, like the blessed Saviour,
May we obey thy truth,
And thus grow up in favor
With God and man from youth!

## 214. Opening Hymn.

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O God, our Heavenly Father!
With grateful hearts we come,
And in devotion gather
Within this hallowed room;
And while our feeble voices
Bear up the hymn to thee,
Each tender heart rejoices
In thy benignity.

2

Here may thy blessing greet us,
On this thy holy day,
And here our teachers meet us,
And point the heavenly way,—
The way of truth and duty,
Pursued by thy dear Son,—
The path of light and beauty,
Heaven's course on earth begun.

3

Here, while we learn his story
Of meekness, faith, and love,
Of trials, sufferings, glory,
And endless joy above;
O Father! here endue us
With wisdom from on high;
And, as we need, renew us
In Christ-like piety.

# 215.

1

We bring no glittering treasures.

No gems from earth's dark mine.
We come, with simple measures,
To chant thy love divine;
Children, thy favors sharing,
Their voice of thanks we raise;
Father, accept our off'ring,
Our song of grateful praise.

2

The dearest gift of heaven,
Love's written word of truth,
To us is early given,
To guide our steps in youth;
We hear the wondrous story,
The tale of Calvary;
We read of homes in glory,
From sin and sorrow free.

3

Redeemer! grant thy blessing,
O teach us how to pray;
That each, thy fear possessing,
May tread life's onward way;
There where the pure are dwelling,
We hope to meet again,
And sweeter numbers swelling,
Forever praise thy name.









And first, our sins confessing,
With penitential tear,
We'd supplicate a blessing
On this our meeting here:
And then for those who teach us
Pure light from Thee above,
That they with power may reach us,—
The power of holy love.

3

Preserve us from temptation;
From idle words and play;
And let thine approbation
Attend us every day.
O, may we give our parents
Obedience from the heart;
Be kind to our companions,
And love to all impart.

4

O, grant thy special favor,

That we may know thy truth,
And imitate the Saviour,
In age as well as youth;
So when we reach the valley
That leads us down to death,
In thee our trust reposing,
Yield up in hope our breath.

L. G. PRAY.

217.

1

Have faith in man, thy brother,
The heavenly Father's child;
And ever in thy judgment
Be merciful and mild.

Have love for man, thy brother,
Though lowly be his lot,
For by the Almighty Father
He never is forgot.

2

Forgive thine erring brother,
As God forgiveth thee;
And bear with all his failings
In patient charity.
Deal gently with the fallen;
And do not thou forget,
However he has wandered,
He is thy brother yet.

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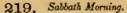
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The eastern hills are glowing
With morning's purple ray;
Arrayed in light, he's coming,
The glorious orb of day.
All hail! thou constant emblem
Of Him who dwells above,—
Of Him so great and glorious,
And yet so full of love!

2

How nature now rejoices,

With life and beauty new!
On every grass-blade twinkles
The pearly drop of dew.
How good is He who made thee,
Thou glorious orb of day!!
With grateful hearts we'll praise hims
In morning's earliest ray.





Let me think how time is passing— Soon the longest life departs; Nothing human is abiding, Save the love of humble hearts.

3

Love to God, and to our neighbor, Makes our purest happiness; Vain the wish, the care, the labor, Earth's poor trifles to possess.

4

Swift my life's vain dreams are passing, Like the startled dove they fly, Or the clouds each other chasing, Over yonder quiet sky.

5

Father, now one prayer I raise thes; Give an humble, grateful heart; Never let me cease to praise thee, Never from thy fear depart.

6

Then, when years have gather'd o'er me,
And the world is sunk in shade,
Heaven's bright realm will rise before me:
There my treasure will be laid.

220. 1

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing,
Hope and comfort from above;
Let us each, thy peace possessing,
Triumph in redeeming love.

2

Thanks we give, and adoration,
For thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of thy salvation,
In our hearts and lives abound.

3

Make us gentle, kind and lowly; Teach us, Father, by thy word, How we may be good and holy, Like to Jesus Christ our Lord.

221.

May the grace of Christ our Savicur, And the Father's boundless love With the Holy Spirit's favor, Rest upon us from above.

2

Thus may we shide in union
With each other and the Lord,
And possess, in sweet communion,
Joys which earth cannot afford.

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If my feelings are not holy, Pride and passion dwell within; But the Lord was meek and lowly, And was never known to sin.

While I'm often vainly trying Some new pleasure to possess,-He was always self-denying, Patient in his worst distress.

Lord, assist a feeble creature, Guide me by thy word of truth; Condescend to be my teacher Through my childhood and my youth.

223.

Lord, who lovest little children, Unto thee we come to-day, Raise our voices in thanksgiving While we bend the knee to pray.

Through another week, thou'st kept us Safely, free from every ill, Fit us, while on earth we linger, Thy commandments to fulfil.

Though we are but feeble children, Jesus calls us by his love, Bidding us prepare to meet him, At the throne of God above.

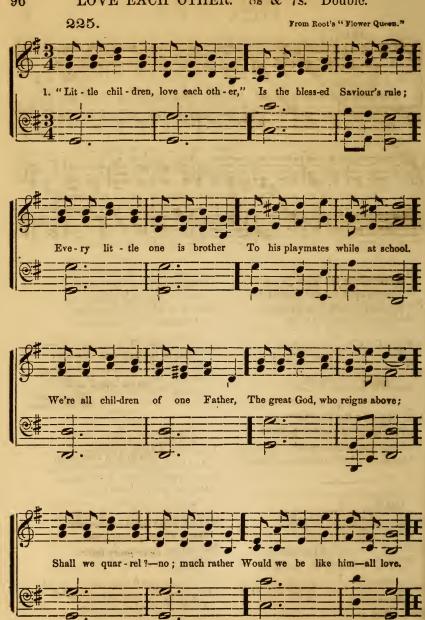
There in robes of spotless whiteness, With our golden harps in hand, Sweet will sound the song of gladness, Coming from our angel band. Sabbath Chimes

224.

Jesus blessed the little children, And he loves to hear them pray, Once, he pressed them to his bosom, May his grace be here to-day.

May his Spirit guide our teachers, May it fill our parents dear; May it bless the little children, May it dry up every tear.

Then, when life's great work is ended, And the Father bids us come To the place of his ascended, May we meet in that bright home.



He has placed us here together, That we may be good and kind: He is ever watching, whether We are of one heart and mind. Which is stronger than the other? He must be the weak one's friend; Who's more playthings than his brother ! He'll delight to give and lend.

Selfish children's bad behavior Shows they love themselves alone: But the children of a Saviour Say not anything's their own. All they have they share with others, Give kind looks and gentle words: Thus they live like happy brothers, And are known to be the Lord's.

226.

"Let them come, the little children, To my fold and to my breast," Said the gentle, loving Saviour, As the children round him pressed. May we come, all false and sinning, With our passions all aglow? Did he welcome thus the children ? Would be meet and bless us so ?

He can help us in our passion,-Teach us how to turn away From the power of each temptation, That would lead our lives astray.

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But to have his smile and favor,-To be called the Saviour's own, We must all be true and tender, Seeking, loving good alone.

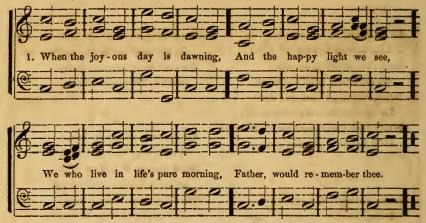
Help us, help us, gentle Jesus! We are very weak and small; Stand between us and the evil; Guide us through and over all. We will struggle daily, hourly, That we may by thee be blest: To thy fold O let us enter! Take us to thy loving breast.

227. - 1

List, the Shepherd now is calling, Let us hearken to his voice; He will keep the weak from falling. He will bid the strong rejoice. Kindly, gently, he will lead us Where the living waters flow, With celestial manna feed us, And his holy rest bestow.

Never, though the way be dreary, Let us wander from his side : We will lean on him when weary, Trust him, whatsoe'er betide. Shepherd, Saviour, love so tender Never shall rejected be; Joyfully we would surrender All our grateful hearts to thee.





While in quiet we were sleeping,
Kindly, though we knew it not,
Thou a guardian watch wert keeping;
Never is thy child forgot.

3

Now another day is given,
With thy love may it be blest;
May we think of thee and heaven,
Of that purer, better rest.

229. Praise ye the Lord.

1

Praise the Lord, when blushing morning Wakes the blossoms fresh with dew! When the world, again created, Beams with beauties fair and new!

2

Praise the Lord, when early breezes
Come so fragrant with the flowers!
Praise, thou willow by the brookside!
Praise, ye birds among the bowers!

Praise the Lord! and may his blessing Guide us in the way of truth, Keep our feet from paths of error, Make us holy in our youth. Praise the Lord, ye hosts of heaven!
Angels, sing your sweetest lays!
Children, utter forth his glory!
Sound your great Creator's praise!

230. 1

Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him;
Praise him, angels in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him;
Praise him all ye stars of light!

2

Praise the Lord, for he hath spoken; Worlds his mighty voice obeyed; Laws which never can be broken, For their guidance he hath made.

3

Praise the Lord, for he is glorious; Never shall his promise fail; God hath made his saints victorious, Sin and death shall not prevail.

4

Praise the God of our salvation,
Hosts on high his power proclaim;
Heaven and earth, and all creation,
Praise and magnify his name!



Softly now the dew is falling;
Peace o'er all the scene is spread;
On his children meekly calling
Purer influence God will shed.

While thine ear of love addressing,
Thus our parting hymn we sing >
Father, give thine evening blessing;
Fold us safe beneath thy wing.

232.

Peaceful be thy silent slumber!
Peaceful in the grave so low!
Thou no more wilt join our number,
Thou no more our song shalt know.

Loved companion! thou hast left us;
Here thy loss we deeply feel;
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

Yet again we hope to meet thee, When the day of life is fled; Then in heaven with joy to greet thee, Where no farewell tear is shed.

233.

One sweet flower has drooped and faded, One sweet warbler hence has fled; One fair brow the grave has shaded, One dear schoolmate now is dead.

She has gone to heaven before us;
But she turns and waves her hand,
Pointing to the glories o'er us,
In that happy spirit-land.

May our footsteps never falter
In the path that she has trod;
Let us worship at the altar
Where she gave her heart to God.

Lord! may angels watch above us, Keep us all from error free; May they guard, and guide, and love us, Till, like her, we go to thee.









Breathe, O, breathe thy loving spirit
Into every troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit,
Let us find thy promised rest.
Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Graciously come down, and never,
Never more thy temples leave!

235.

1

Hark! what mean those holy voices,
Sweetly sounding through the skies!
Lo! the angelic host rejoices,
Heavenly hallelujahs rise.
Listen to the wondrous story
Which they chant in hymns of joy:
"Glory in the highest, glory!
Glory be to God most high!

2

"Peace on earth, good-will from heaven,
Reaching far as man is found.

Souls redeemed and sins forgiven;—
Loud our golden harps shall sound.

Christ is born, the great Anointed!

Heaven and earth his praises sing!

O, receive whom God appointed

For your Prophet, Priest, and King!"

236

1

Bright the vision that delighted
Once the sight of Judah's seer;
Sweet the countless tongues united
To entrance the prophet's ear.
Round the Lord in glory seated,
Cherubim and seraphim
Filled his temple, and repeated
Each to each the alternate hymn.

2

Ever thus, in God's high praises,
Children, let our tongues unite,
Whilst our thoughts his greatness raises,
And our love his gifts excite.
With his seraph train before him,
With his holy church below,
Thus unite we to adore him,
Bid we thus our anthem flow:—

3

"Lord! thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fulness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, holy, holy Lord!
Thus thy glorious name confessing,
We adopt the angels' cry,
'Holy, holy, holy,' blessing
Thee, the Lord of Hosts, Most High!"

237.

1

God is love; his mercy brightens
All the path in which we move;
Bliss he wakes, and woe he lightens;
God is wisdom, God is love.
Chance and change are busy ever
Man decays, and ages move,
But his mercy waneth never;
God is wisdom, God is love.

2

E'en the hour that darkest seemeth
Will his changeless goodness prove:
From the gloom his brightness stream(the God is wisdom, God is love.
He with earthly cares entwineth
Hope and comfort from above;
Everywhere his glory shineth:
God is wisdom, God is love.





We should always care for others,

Nor suppose ourselves the best:
Let us love like friends and brothers:

'Twas the Saviour's last request.

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His example we should borrow,
Who descended from above,
And endured such pain and sorrow
Out of tenderness and love.

239.

Life is not a fleeting shadow,
Or a wave upon the beach;
Yhough our days be swift, yet lasting
Is the stamp we give to each.

2

Life is ours for faithful labor,
Of the hand, or of the thought;
Every hour and every moment
Is with living meaning fraught.

Waking every morn to duty,
Ere its hours shall pass away,
Let some act of love or service
Mark it as a holy day.

4

Work! our Father worketh ever! He who works not cannot play: Work for use, or work for beauty, So sweet rest shall crown each day.

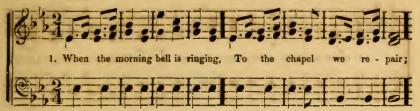
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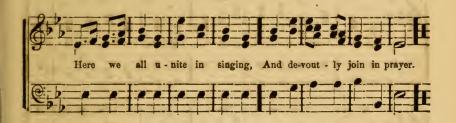
O my good and gracious Maker!
May I love thee as I ought!
Let me, by thy loving guidance,
Into all good ways be brought.

2

Make me love my Lord and Saviour,
Who so much hath loved me;
And, when life on earth is ended,
Let me live with him and thee.

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2

While in harmony our voices
Are ascending to our God,
Every grateful heart rejoices
Thus to spread his praise abroad.

3

In the duties now before us

Let us faithfully engage;

Spirit of all truth! be o'er us,

As we search the sacred page.

4

May the lessons Christ has taught us, All our minds and hearts improve; And the blessings he has brought us Wake a strong and holy love.

5

Thankful for the kind protection
Which has blessed us through the week,

Still imploring thy direction, While we heavenly wisdom seek,

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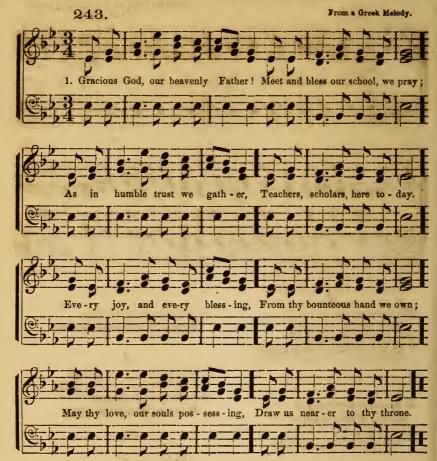
Father! thus, in pure devotion, Every thought inspired by love, Gratitude in each emotion, Would we lift our souls above.

242.

Father! grant us now thy blessing, Smile upon us from above; Let us all, pure hearts possessing, Fill our lives with deeds of love.

9

Make us gentle, kind, and lowly; Teach us, Father, by thy word, How we may be good and holy, Like to Jesus Christ our Lord.



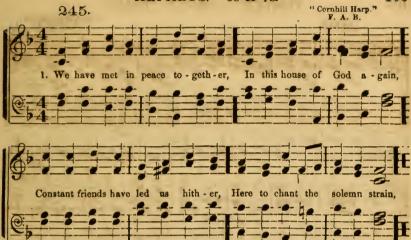
Weak, imperfect, tempted, erring,
From thy precepts, Lord, we stray;
Let thy spirit, from our wandering,
Bring us back to virtue's way.
Humble, penitent, confiding,
May we rest our hope in thee;
In thy favor, Lord, abiding,
In thy peace and purity.

244.

In the duties now before us, Let us faithfully engage; Spirit of all truth! be o'er us, As we search the sacred page.

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All our minds and hearts improve;
And the blessings he has brought us
Wake a strong and holy love.

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Father! thus, in pure devotion,
Every thought inspired by love,
Gratitude in each emotion,
Would we lift our souls above.



- 2 We have met, but time is flying; We shall part, but still his wing, Sweeping o'er the dead and dying, Will the changeful seasons bring.
- 3 Let us, while our hearts are lightest,
  In our fresh and early years,
  Turn to him whose smile is brightest,
  And whose love will calm our fears.
- 4 Then with glory never ending, We our Saviour's face shall see, And shall hear him gently saying, "Little children, come to me."

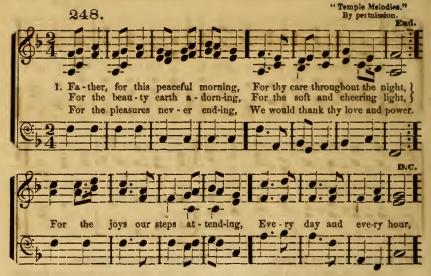
### 246.

- 1 Lord, a little band and lowly, We are come to sing of thee; Thou art great, and high, and holy; O how solemn we should be.
- 2 Fill our hearts with thoughts of Jesus, And of heaven, where he is gone; And let nothing ever please us He would grieve to look upon.
- 3 Heaverly Father, thou hast told us Wha: thou'd have us be and do:

- Thou dost evermore behold us,
  And dost search us through and through.
- 4 May our sins be all forgiven,
  Make us fear whate'er is wrong;
  Lead us in the way to heaven,
  There to sing a nobler song.

#### 247.

- Let thy Spirit, Lord, descending, Rest upon each youthful heart;
   May his grace our steps attending, Heavenly life and love impart.
- 2 Let thy presence go before us,
  Through this wilderness of sin!
  Spread thy sheltering pinions o'er us,
  Light the lamp of truth within.
- 3 O thou good and gracious Father! We would thy protection claim; O thou gentle Shepherd, gather With thine arm each little lamb.
- 4 Feed us in thy verdant meadows,
  Lead us by thy quiet streams,
  Till beyond the vale of shadows,
  Heaven's unclouded glory beams.



- 2 For the parents watching o'er us, For the friends to us so dear, For the teachers now before us, Father, we would thank thee here; For the precious lessons brought us, In the Gospel's holy page, For the Heavenly Friend who taught us Thee to serve in youth and age.
- 3 While thy throne of grace addressing, We thy children, own thy love, Gracious Father, let thy blessing Rest upon us from above.
  May our errors be forgiven;
  May each heart thy temple be;
  May we rest at last in heaven,
  From all sin and sorrow free.

249.

"Mary!" said the risen Jesus,
In the morning twilight dim—
Through the shadows and the weeping
Mary knew and knelt to him;
Gone that long night's hopeless anguish,
Gone the waking hour's fresh pain;
All her soul one gush of gladness,
Clasping those dear feet again.

- 2 Not alone to weeping Mary,
  Prostrate by the empty tomb,
  Speaks the tender voice of Jesus—
  Where'er hovers earthly gloom,
  Where'er human hearts are aching,
  Lone in grief or low in sin,
  There those thrilling tones are pleading,
  If the soul will take them in.
- 3 Not alone to sorrowing women,
  Not alone to stricken men,
  Come the risen Saviour's accents,
  Bringing light and joy again;
  To the weary little children,
  Worn with toil or tired with play,
  To the tempted little children,
  Wandering from the heavenly way.
- 4 To the orphan, to the homeless,
  By the dearest household name
  Speaks the loving, living Saviour,
  With affection still the same.
  Know and kneel in love before him,
  Little children, sad or gay;
  To a purer life he calls you,
  Dawning with this Easter-Day.



Every joy, and every blessing,
From thy bounteous hand we own:
May thy love, our souls possessing,
Draw us nearer to thy throne.

Weak, imperfect, tempted, erring,
From thy precepts, Lord, we stray;
Let thy spirit, from our wandering,
Bring us back to virtue's way.

Humble, penitent, confiding,
May we rest our hope in thee;
In thy favor, Lord, abiding,
In thy peace and purity.

So, by faith and love perfected
Unto every Christian grace,
In our lives the life reflected
Of our Saviour may we trace.

Here our joys and duties blending
With thy service on our way,
Till, from earth to heaven ascending,
Dawns on us the perfect day.

251. God the Creator.

Mighty God! while angels bless thee, May an infant lisp thy name! Lord of men, as well as angels, Thou art every creature's theme.

Lord of every land and nation, Ancient of eternal days! Sounded through the wide creation Be thy just and lawful praise:

For the grandeur of thy nature—
Grand beyond a seraph's thought;
For created works of power—
Works with skill and kindness wrought

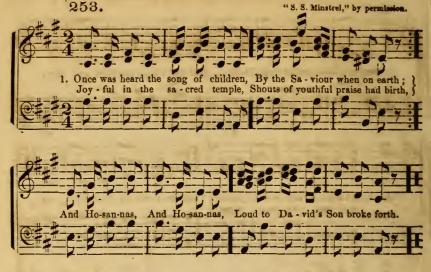
For thy providence that governs
Through thine empire's wide domain;
Wings an angel, guides a sparrow,—
Blessed be thy gentle reign.

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252

Heavenly Father! grant thy blessing
On the teaching of this day;
That our hearts, thy fear possessing,
May from sin be turned away.

Have we wandered? O, forgive us!
Have we wished from truth to r. vo Turn, O, turn us, and receive us,
And incline us truth to love!



2 O, though humble is our offering, Deign accept our grateful lays— These from children once proceeding, Thou didst deem "perfected praise." Now Hosannas, Saviour, Lord, to thee we raise.

254.

- I God has said—"For ever blessed
  Those who seek me in their youth—
  They shall find the path of wisdom,
  And the narrow way of truth:"
  Guide us, Father,
  In the narrow way of truth.
- 2 Be our strength, when we are weakness; Be our wisdom and our guide; May we walk in love and meekness, Nearer to our Father's side: Naught can harm us, While we thus in thee abide.
- 3 Then, when evening shades shall gather, Shall our faithful footsteps come To the dwelling of our Father,

To our blessed spirit-home:
Gently passing
To the happy spirit-home.

255.

- 1 In our childhood's morning, Father, While the world is bright and fair, We would in thy temple gather, Find our truest pleasures there, Seek thy blessing, Ask thy guardian love and care.
- 2 Fain would we upon thy altar
  Lay the hearts that should be thine,
  But our feeble footsteps falter—
  Guide us by thy light divine,
  Shine around us,
  Sun of Righteousness! O shine.
- 3 Shield us in temptation's trial,
  Be our strength when we are weak,
  Aid us in each self-denial,
  Make us loving, truthful, meek,
  And thy glory
  May our daily conduct speak.



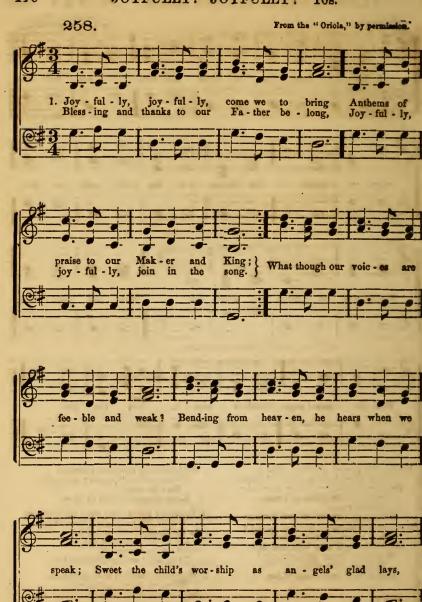
2 Hear the gospel, children, hear it, Joyful news from heaven it brings; Here's a fountain—O draw near it !— Opened by the King of kings; Living water Thence in streams eternal springs.

3 Children hear, why will you perish?
Death to life, O why prefer?
Why your vain delusions cherish?
Why from truth persist to err?
Wisdom calls you,
Happy they who learn of her.

257.

1 Father, let thy benediction, Gently falling as the dew, And thy ever gracious presence
Bless us all our journey through;
May we ever
Keep the end of life in view.

- 2 Young in years,—we need the wisdom
  Which can only come from thee;
  In the morn of our existence
  Let us thy salvation see,—
  Changed in spirit,
  Then shall we thy children be.
- 3 When temptations shall assail us,
  When we falter by the way,
  Let thine arm of strength defend us,
  Saviour hear us when we pray:
  Thou art mighty,
  Be thou then our rook and stay.





2

Parents and home to his kindness we owe, Raiment and food does his bounty bestow, Happiness, health, are the gifts of his love, Joyfully lift the glad chorus above. Best of all blessings, he gives us his Son, Leader and Guide till the victory is won, Till in the land of the blest we shall sing, Joyfully, joyfully, "praise to our King."

#### 259. Easter.

1

Joyfully, joyfully lift the glad voice,

Jesus has risen! ye children, rejoice!

Scatt'ring the clouds of the grave's cheerless night,

Sun of our souls! now he beams on our sight.

Vanish at once all the doubt and the fear;

Jesus has passed through the valley so drear;

Light from his presence illumines the way,

Joyfully, joyfully sing we to-day.

2

We, like our Saviour, o er death may prevail;
He is our guardian, our strength shall not fail;
We, too, may triumph o'er sorrow and pain,
Rising with him in his glory to reign.
Hail then, the morn of this glorious day!
Angels and spirits are joining our lay;
Jesus has risen! he lives evermore!
Joyfully, joyfully sing and adore!











His bount; is tender, his being is love; His smile fills with splendor the blue arch above: Confiding, believing, O, enter always His courts with thanksgiving, his portals with praise!

Come not to his temple with pride in thy mien, But lowly and simple, in courage serene: Bring meekly before him the faith of a child. Bow down and adore him with heart undefiled:

MRS. OSGOOD

261.

To Zion, of old Christ triumphantly rode, While children his pathway with palm branches strewed. With anthems the courts of the proud temple rung, As pealing hosannas they joyfully sung.

No palms to the altar can children now bring, Far purer their gifts to their Father and King:-Glad hearts that his love has continued to bless, Which break forth in singing their thanks to express.

Oh! draw us to thee in the dawn of our days, Guide faltering feet that are seeking thy ways, Oh! lead us, thou Fountain of light and of love! To serve thee on earth, and to see thee above.

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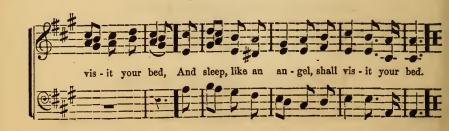
How dear is the thought that the angels of God May bow their bright wings to the world they once trod; Will leave the sweet songs of the mansions above, To breathe o'er our bosoms some message of love!

They come, on the wings of the morning they come, Impatient to lead some poor wanderer home; Some sinner to save from his darkened abode, And lay him to rest in the arms of his God.

They come when we wander, they come when we pray, In mercy to guard us wherever we stray; A glorious cloud, their bright witness is given; Encircling us here are these angels of heaven.







2

Acquaint yourselves early, dear children, with God, And he shall be with you when fears are abroad; Your safeguard in dangers that threaten your path, Your joy in the valley and shadow of death.

264.

The Lord is my Shepherd, no want shall I know;
I feed in green pastures, safe folded I rest;
He leadeth my soul where the still waters flow,
Restores me when wandering, redeems when oppress.

2

Through the valley and shadow of death though I stray,
Since thou art my guardian, no evil I fear;
Thy rod shall defend me, thy staff be my stay;
No harm can befall with my Comforter near.

3

In the midst of affliction my table is spread;
With blessings unmeasured my cup runneth o'er;
With perfume and oil thou anointest my head;
O, what shall I ask of thy providence more?

4

Let goodness and mercy, my bountiful God,
Still follow my steps till I meet thee above;
I seek, by the path which my forefathers trod
Thro' the land of their sojourn, thy kingdom of love.

MONIGOMERY.

265.

How sweet is the Sabbath, the season of rest, The day of the week which we surely love best! This morning our Saviour arose from the tomb, And took from the grave all its terror and gloom.

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O, let us be thoughtful and prayerful to-day, And not spend a moment in trifling or play! Remembering the Sabbath was graciously given, To draw us from earth, and prepare us for heaven.

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Behold us, our Father! though children we be, We are not too young to be noticed by thee; Be our guardian and guide, through life's early days, Let us give thee our hearts, and live to thy praise.



2 Forgive our transgressions, and teach us to know That humble compassion that pardons each foe; Keep us from temptation, from weakness and sin, And thine be the glory, forever, Amen.

267.

- 1 Sweet days of our childhood! how swiftly they fly, All bright with the hues of spring-blossoms and sky; All rich with the means our dear Father has given To fit us for life on his earth, in his heaven.
- 2 Dear friends of our childhood! so kindly and true, What language can utter the gratitude due For counsel that guides us, for care that ne'er tires, And love that our highest of effort inspires?
- 3 Loved haunts of our childhood! the school-room, the home.
  And this sacred spot where so gladly we come
  In morning's fresh hours, each new week to begin,
  By learning the conquest of self and of sin.
- 4 O, not all in vain be these blessings bestowed!
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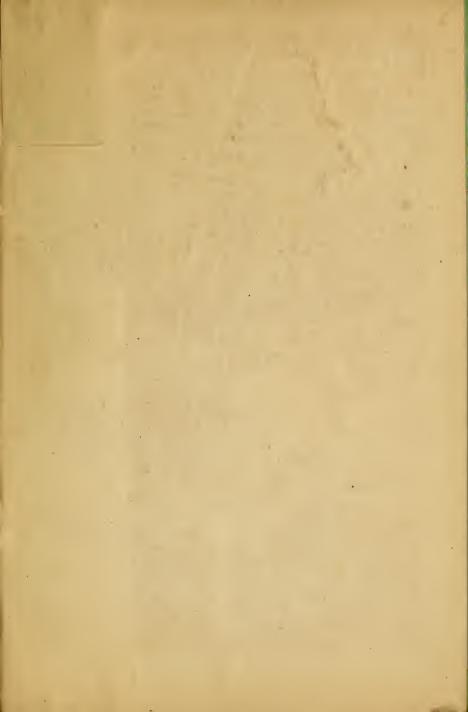
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